



# Aris Academy

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*"Aris Academy turned my daughter's writing around. She went from struggling with structure to scoring 18/20 in weeks."*

— Parent of Year 6 Student



SCAN TO START

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2026 SELECTIVE WORKBOOK

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# Practice *Reimagined.*

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# Narrative Challenge



**NARRATIVE** **The Forgotten Journey**

*"Look at the image of this old car parked on a quiet street. Write a narrative about who owns this car and the incredible journey it has been on. Consider: Who drove it? Where did it travel?"*

Audience: Your classmates and teacher · 250–350 words

WRITING SPACE

# Journalism Challenge



**NEWSPAPER** **Climate Action Report**

*"Write a newspaper article about a recent climate change initiative in your local community. Include interviews, facts, and the impact this initiative is having on the environment."*

Audience: General newspaper readers · 250–350 words

WRITING SPACE

MODULE 02

# Writing Gym: Skill Drills

Isolate. Practice. Master.



**SHOW-NOT-TELL** Skill: Body Language

Show emotions through what characters do with their bodies.

**Telling:** "The boy was scared."  
**Showing:** "The boy's breath came in short gasps as he pressed his back against the cold wall."

YOUR TURN

"She was **happy**."

My Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTION BEATS** Skill: Replace Adverbs

Replace "said angrily" with an action that SHOWS the anger.

MENTOR TEXT

"Get out!" She slammed her fist on the table.'

Notice how the action (slamming the fist) tells us she is angry without using the word "angrily".

**New Topic: Someone saying "I can't believe you did that" sadly.**

## The Last Impression

Your ending is the last thing a reader reads. Make it resonate. Avoid "Then I woke up" or "They lived happily ever after." Show the change.

MODULE 02

# Strong Ending Drills



**FINAL IMAGE** Skill: Powerful Imagery

End with a powerful image that sticks in the reader's mind.

WEAK (SUMMARY)

"And that's how my summer ended. It was really good."

STRONG (IMAGE)

"As the train pulled away, I pressed my palm to the window. **Grandma's hand stayed raised** until she was just a speck on the platform."

**Your turn: End a story about a first day at school.**

**IMPACT** Skill: Short Final Sentence

Use a short, punchy sentence after longer ones for maximum impact.

MENTOR TEXT

"The mountain had tested everything I had—my legs, my lungs, my will to keep climbing. But I'd made it. One step at a time."

**New Topic: Realising that home is about people, not a place.**

# Mathematics Mastery

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## Q1. Money Distribution

Alan had \$10. He gave some to Kiana. He then gave half of what he had left to Jason. Jason gave half of what he was given to Lenny. Lenny received \$1.60.

How much did Alan give to Kiana?

- A. \$3.20    B. \$3.60    C. \$4.80    D. \$6.40    E. \$6.80

## Q2. Angle Deduction

A pentagon shape has exactly one line of symmetry. A student is drawing it using a protractor.

If the base angles are  $100^\circ$  and  $130^\circ$ , what is the top angle S?



- A.  $50^\circ$     B.  $80^\circ$     C.  $90^\circ$     D.  $100^\circ$     E.  $130^\circ$

## Q3. Operations Logic

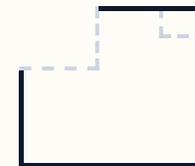
When 117 chocolates are shared between 14 people, each person gets 8 chocolates and there are 5 chocolates left over.

Which number sentence shows this?

- A.  $14 + 8 \times 5 = 117$   
 B.  $14 \times 5 - 8 = 117$   
 C.  $14 \times 5 + 8 = 117$   
 D.  $14 \times 8 - 5 = 117$   
 E.  $14 \times 8 + 5 = 117$

## Q4. Complex Perimeter

A large  $10\text{cm} \times 8\text{cm}$  rectangle has two small rectangles removed from the corners as shown.



What is the perimeter of the resulting shaded shape?

- A. 30 cm    B. 36 cm    C. 39 cm    D. 40 cm    E. 42 cm

## Q5. Fraction Evaluation

Andy, Bella and Carlo shared a bar. Andy ate  $\frac{1}{5}$ , Bella ate  $\frac{2}{5}$  and Carlo ate the rest.

- Carlo ate less than half of the bar.
- Andy ate more than one quarter of the bar.
- Andy & Bella ate less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  altogether.

Which statements are correct?

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



### Stuck on a problem?

Scan to see step-by-step solutions and try more questions like these online.