

Writing Standards

GRADE 3



3.W The student will compose various works for diverse audiences and purposes, linked to Grade 3 content and texts.

3.W.1 Modes and Purposes for Writing

Standard Code	Standard	Top Score Writing Lessons
A.	Recognize that different forms of writing (narrative, expository, and opinion) have distinctive patterns of organization to support their purpose.	Lessons 1, 24, 46
B.	Write personal or fictional narratives that organize event sequences that unfold naturally.	Lessons 77-91
C.	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic that develops the topic with facts and details.	Lessons 23-44, 100, 102
D.	Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with facts and reasons.	Lessons 45-64, 99, 101, 103
E.	Write in response to text(s) read or heard to share thinking using supporting details from the text.	Lessons 23-64, 99-103

3.W.2 Organization and Composition

Standard Code	Standard	Top Score Writing Lessons
A.	Engage in writing as a process to compose a well-developed paragraph. This includes:	Lessons 1-103
	i. Writing a clear topic sentence focusing on a main idea.	Lessons 8, 30-31, 52-53
	ii. Developing, selecting, and organizing ideas relevant to the topic, audience, purpose, and genre.	Lessons 1, 3-5, 24-27, 46-49, 78-79, 98
	iii. Elaborating writing by including supporting details.	Lessons 8-9, 31-32, 35, 53-54, 57, 65-68, 70, 71-74, 76, 82, 87-88
	iv. Using transition words to vary sentence structure.	Lessons 16, 30, 38, 52, 60, 95
	v. Providing a concluding statement.	Lessons 12, 15, 34, 36, 56, 58, 69, 75, 83

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3.W.3 Usage and Mechanics

Standard Code	Standard	Top Score Writing Lessons
A.	With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by revising for quality of ideas, organization, sentence fluency, and word choice.	Lessons 11, 19, 21, 40-41, 43, 62-63, 86, 90, 92
B.	With guidance and support from peers and adults, edit writing for format and conventions such as capitalization, usage, punctuation, and spelling.	Lessons 11, 19, 21, 40-41, 43, 62-63, 86, 90, 92