1. Copying, Vocabulary, and Comprehension

This Week’s Passage

The year was 1776. It was Christmas night along the Potomac. British General William Howe had recently captured Fort Washington. He now set out for winter quarters, leaving Hessian Colonel Johannes Rall in charge with 1,400 men at Trenton. Washington’s men were greatly discouraged because of their recent defeats. The weather was frigid. The Delaware River was icy, and their numbers were few.

Washington had a plan. He would cross the Delaware at a point nine miles above the enemy, then take them by surprise at dawn. But would it work? He could sense that the spirits of his men were low. Something was needed to spur them on.

It was at this point that General Washington read an essay to his men. It began, “These are the times that try men’s souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country.” Those words sank into the hearts of those weary soldiers with overwhelming conviction. They could do it. They would do it. By the Lord’s grace, they did do it! —Wisdom Booklet 1

1a. Read this week’s passage aloud.

Because General George Washington perceived the needs of the soldiers, he read to them the essay “The Crisis,” and history was made.

1b. From the shaded Vocabulary Box, choose four synonyms for to see with understanding, and write them on the lines provided.

1. ______________________________ 3. ______________________________
2. ______________________________ 4. ______________________________

1c. On the lines provided, write three sentences with three of the synonyms that you listed. Describe how George Washington saw the needs of his army.
1. In the passage, highlight the words *summer soldier* and *sunshine patriot*.

These words are used as an analogy comparing those who will not stay in the battle with those who are only interested in *summer* and *sunshine*. This parallels the phrase *fair-weather friend*, describing someone who is only a friend when the weather is good—or when all is going well.

2. In the passage, highlight the word *colonel*.

The word *colonel* is often confused in reading and spelling. The word *colonel* is pronounced like *kernel*, not *colonial*.

Did you notice the words *could*, *would*, and *did* are in italics? These are written in italics to draw special emphasis to them. When you read this passage aloud, you should read those three words with emphasis.

3. In your notebook, copy this week’s passage at the level directed by your teacher.

4. (T) Review your copy with your teacher, and correct any errors.

### 2. Spelling: Soft and Hard *c*

*Examples: city, candy*

5. In the passage, highlight the words that contain the letter *c*.

6. In the list of words in the Help Box for 2a., highlight in each word the letter directly following the *c*, except for in the words *Christmas* and *charge*.

In spelling (or reading) words with the letter *c*, the letter directly following the *c* determines which sound the *c* makes.

The letter *c* makes its soft sound (*s*) when it is followed by the letters:

1. *e* as in *central*
2. *i* as in *city*
3. *y* as in *cygnet*

The letter *c* makes its hard sound (*k*) when it is followed by the letters:

1. *a* as in *candy*
2. *o* as in *cot*
3. *u* as in *cuff*
4. Any consonant (except in *ch* combinations)

### Help Box for 2a.

You should have highlighted the following words:

1. *Christmas*
2. *Potomac*
3. *recently*
4. *captured*
5. *Colonel*
6. *charge*
7. *discouraged*
8. *because*
9. *recent*
10. *icy*
11. *cross*
12. *could*
13. *crisis*
14. *service*
15. *country*
16. *conviction*
17. *could*
18. *grace*
Teacher Tip: The letter _c_ often makes two sounds:
1. Soft _c_ (as in the case of _cent_)
2. Hard _c_ (as in the case _candy_)

The sound that _c_ makes in individual words is usually determined by the letter directly following the _c_. When the letter _c_ is followed by an _e, i_, or _y_, it makes its soft sound (_s_). When the letter _c_ is followed by any consonant (other than _h_ as in _ch_), or _a, o, or u_, it makes its hard sound (_k_).

Teacher Tip: When your student has difficulty pronouncing or spelling a word that contains the letter _c_, remind him to look at the letter directly following the _c_.

Alternative Essays for 1C Week 1

- Write a short biographical essay about Thomas Paine, the author of “The Crisis.”
- Write a summary of Thomas Paine’s essay “The Crisis.”

- **2c.** On the lines provided, copy the spelling words at the level directed by your teacher.

**BASIC LEVEL**

1. ______________________________ 5. ______________________________
   century service
2. ________________________________ 6. ______________________________
   courier Christmas
3. ______________________________ 7. ______________________________
   crisis capturing
4. ______________________________
   recently

**EXTENSION**

8. ______________________________ 9. ______________________________
   conviction centurion

**FURTHER EXTENSION**

10. ________________________________ 11. ________________________________
   colonel colonial

**Optional Words**

12. ______________________________
   discern
13. ______________________________
   comprehend
14. ______________________________
   notice
15. ______________________________
   ascertain
16. ______________________________
   perceive

**Review Words**

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- **2d.** Add this week’s new words (minus the Optional Words) to page 56 of your _Spelling Notebook_.
- **2e.** Optional: Add your review words to the correlating pages of your _Spelling Notebook_.
- **2f.** Every day this week, study these words and any others you have listed in your _Review Words section_.
- **2g.** Optional: In your notebook, write eight sentences using eight of the spelling words.
3. Editor Duty: Correct Given Paragraph(s)

(Prepositions, Prepositional Phrases)

❑ 3. Complete the following steps:

1. In the paragraphs provided, make corrections at the level directed by your teacher.
   - **Basic Level:** Correct only the first paragraph.
   - **Extension:** Correct the first and second paragraphs.
   - **Further Extension:** Correct all three paragraphs.

2. In the first paragraph, highlight all of the prepositions.

3. **Extensions:** In the second paragraph, highlight with another color all of the prepositional phrases.

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After the flood, Noah and his family began to repopulate the earth. All of their descendants spoke the same language rather than spreading throughout the world, they stayed in one area and lay the foundations for a highly developed city later known as Babylon. Godless humanism, with its practice of astrology, became the motivating force of this system.

The people decided to use their great intellectual abilities to build a huge tower that would “reach unto the heaven.” Some scholars think there actual purpose was to design a observatory from which to examine the heavens for evil purposes. God declared that nothing would restrain them from achieving their imaginations.

This account reveals that it is God who created different languages. Although his original purpose in doing so was to restrain man’s sinful ambition, God has also purposed to use the different languages to bring glory to Himself. The Book of Revelation declares that the multitude of worshippers around the throne in heaven will include those redeemed “out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation.”

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4. Study Skills/Prewriting:

Key Word Outline

❑ 4. Follow these steps to write a Key Word Outline (KWO) for this week’s passage:

1. Read the first paragraph to yourself.
   - a. Determine the topic of that paragraph.
   - b. Write the topic of the entire paragraph on the topic line.

2. Read the first sentence of the first paragraph and think about what it means.
   - a. Highlight 3–5 words that would most help you to remember the content of the sentence.
   - b. Write those 3–5 words on the line provided for sentence one.
   - c. Repeat these steps for all of the sentences in the first paragraph.

3. Repeat these steps for all of the paragraphs and sentences in the passage.

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**Paragraph One of Body**

Topic of Paragraph 1 __________________________________________________________

Sentence 1 ____________________________________________________________________

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**KWO Tips**

Keep these things in mind as you make your outline:

1. Use only 3–5 words.
2. Use words that will best help you; these may be verbs, adverbs, adjectives, names, etc.
3. You may use symbols without including them in your 3–5 words. (Examples: +, =, #, 2)
4. When taking notes on quoted portions of the passage, you may copy the entire quotation word-for-word.
5. Grammar: Prepositions

❑ 5a. In the passage, highlight the prepositions. (Note: Do not highlight the word to when used as an infinitive.)

There are over fifty prepositions. The following Preposition-Check Sentences will make them easier for you to remember. If a word appropriately fits into one of these two sentences, it is a preposition.

1. The angel flew __________ the clouds.
2. The girl prayed ____________ the service.

Help Box 5a.
You should have highlighted the following words:
1. along 11. of
2. for 12. at
3. in 13. to
4. with 14. in
5. at 15. from
6. of 16. of
7. at 17. into
8. above 18. of
9. by 19. with
10. at 20. by

Note: The words out and on are used as adverbs in the passage.
The word *to* is used as a preposition—most of the time. Sometimes it is part of a verb phrase known as an *infinitive*. An *infinitive* is a special verb phrase called a *verbal* that is made up of *to* + verb.

1. to go 4. to see
2. to run 5. to be
3. to write 6. to have

When you see the word *to*, you can tell that it is an infinitive if it has a *verb* following it (*to read*). You will know *to* is functioning as a preposition when it is followed by its *object*—noun or pronoun (*to the store*).

Sometimes a word will function as an adverb instead of a preposition. You will know it is an adverb when no object follows it and it answers one of the adverb questions. A preposition acting as an adverb will often come at the end of a sentence (*spur them on*) and will answer the questions that adverbs answer.

1. When? (before) 3. How? (up)
2. Where? (upward) 4. To what extent? (beyond)

5b. Optional: Make a Grammar Card about prepositions, or add new information to an existing card.

5c. Study the Grammar Card about prepositions.

5d. (T) Memorize and recite prepositions to your teacher.

**BASIC LEVEL:** Recite twenty prepositions.

**EXTENSIONS:** Recite twenty-five prepositions.

5e. In the sentences provided, highlight the prepositions.

Note: There may be more than one preposition in some sentences.

**Example:** In this passage, we see that the pen of the Godly is mightier than the sword.

1. Vladimir Ulyanov experienced great sorrow during his life.
2. His father died at the time when Vladimir was only sixteen years old.
3. His brother was arrested due to his involvement in a plot to assassinate the czar.
4. His sister was arrested because of her contact with her brother.
5. Vladimir was expelled from school for participating in a local demonstration.
6. A friend gave Vladimir a copy of *Das Kapital*.
7. *Das Kapital* was written by Karl Marx.
8. He read it with great enthusiasm.
9. This work fed the flames of revolution in Vladimir's heart.
10. This work helped transform him into the gruesome tyrant that he became.
11. This man is known to most as Nikolai Lenin.
12. What destruction was brought to Lenin's life by the written word!
13. The pen can be used for good.
14. The pen can be used for great evil.
15. It brought destruction to Lenin's life.

**Grammar Card:**

**Preposition (Abbreviated: PREP)**

- Shows the position of one word to another
- A word is a preposition if it fits into one of two Preposition-Check Sentences:
  - The girl prayed _______ the service.
  - The angel flew _______ the clouds.
- The following words are prepositions, as they fit into one of the Preposition-Check Sentences:
  - The angel flew around the clouds.
  - The angel flew about the clouds.
  - The girl prayed at the service.
  - The girl prayed before the service.
- List of prepositions:
  - aboard  aside  by*  off  toward
  - about  at  down  on  under
  - above  before*  except  onto  underneath
  - along  because of  for  out  until
  - across  behind  from*  outside  up
  - after*  below  in  past  upon
  - against  beneath  into  through  with
  - amid  beside  inside  throughout  within
  - among  between  of  to  without
  - around  beyond

*These words may be subordinators (if they have a verb within the group of words following them) or prepositions (if they have an object following them)

- To + verb is not a preposition; it is a special kind of verb called an infinitive
- Some prepositions act as other parts of speech:
  - She is lying down. (*Down* is an adverb in this sentence.)
  - Before he left for work, she told him. (*Before* is a subordinator in this sentence.)
  - They are going to run. (*To run* is a special verb called an infinitive.)

**Preposition Practice**

- The pen is *under* the eraser.
- The book is *upon* the desk.
- The eraser is *in* the drawer.
- The book is *on* the bookcase.

**Teacher Tip:** Be sure your Level C student does the memorization/recitation work for the prepositions. It is important that he learn to easily recognize prepositions.
5f. Optional: In your notebook, write sentences using prepositions, and highlight the prepositions.

**BASIC LEVEL:** Write fifteen sentences.

**EXTENSIONS:** Write twenty sentences containing information from the Wisdom Booklet or another source.

### 6. Composition/Creative Writing: Write a Rough Draft Informative Essay From a Key Word Outline

**6a. Follow these steps for writing your essay from your Key Word Outline:**

1. Re-read the entire passage to recall its content.
2. Read your first line of notes and think of what you want your sentence to say.
3. Practice saying your sentence aloud to get it just the way you want it.
4. Write your first sentence in your notebook; remember to indent it.
5. Repeat these steps for each line of notes, writing on every other line.

**6b. Read your essay aloud. Do you like the way it sounds?**

### 7. Editor Duty: Correct Given Paragraph(s)

**(Prepositional Phrases, Infinitives, Sentence Openers)**

**7. Complete the following steps:**

1. In the paragraphs provided, make corrections at the level directed by your teacher.
   - **BASIC LEVEL:** Correct only the first paragraph.
   - **EXTENSION:** Correct the first and second paragraphs.
   - **FURTHER EXTENSION:** Correct all three paragraphs.
2. In the first paragraph, highlight the prepositional phrases.
3. In the second paragraph, highlight each infinitive—*to + verb*.
   - **FURTHER EXTENSION:** In the last paragraph, highlight the sentence openers, and place commas following them, if you have not already done so.

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Just as Jesus saw the multitudes with understanding and compassion so he calls us to do the same early in his ministry. Christ instructed his disciples to see the spiritual needs of those around them. He compared the multitudes to fields of a ready harvest.

Later in his ministry Jesus told his disciples to pray that God would send out laborers into his harvest. The laborers need be only few in number if they perceive the needs of people and are trained to meet those needs.

At the end of his ministry Jesus commanded his disciples to go into the harvest and continue the work he had begun. As Christ saw needs so should we. As our lives is in tune with the Spirit of God he will give us discernment and we will not overlook the real needs of people around us.
8. Grammar/Sentence Structure: Prepositional Phrases

A prepositional phrase is a group of words that begins with a preposition and ends with an object of the preposition.

The object of the preposition is the last word of the prepositional phrase. The object of the preposition is a noun or pronoun. It may come right after the preposition (to her) or there may be one or more words between the preposition and its object (to the little girl).

8a. In the passage, place parentheses around the prepositional phrases.

There are two good reasons for learning prepositions and prepositional phrases.

1. The subject of the sentence is usually not in a prepositional phrase.
2. Prepositional phrases are good sentence openers.

Inexperienced writers often begin all of their sentences with a subject followed by a verb. Experienced writers add variety to their writing by using various sentence openers.

To begin a sentence with a prepositional phrase opener, follow the PP with a comma if any one of the following applies:

1. It is five words or longer.
   a. Example: In using detailed and elaborate writing, you should use prepositional phrase openers.
   b. Example: In order to write well, you should sometimes use prepositional phrase openers.
2. There are two prepositional phrases in a row.
   a. Example: During your writing of lengthy reports, try to add some prepositional phrase openers.
   b. Example: From the beginning of writing, prepositional phrase openers added interest to writing.
3. You hear a definite pause—regardless of the length of the PP.
   a. Example: In time, you will become a good writer.
   b. Example: For now, try to use prepositional phrase openers whenever it sounds right.

Do not follow the PP with a comma if it is less than five words and you do not hear a definite pause.

1. Example: About noontime the campers arrived.
2. Example: For the time being we will come early.

8b. Optional: Make Grammar Cards about prepositional phrases and prepositional phrase openers, or add new information to existing cards.

8c. Study the Grammar Cards about prepositional phrases and prepositional phrase openers.
8d. In the sentences from exercise 5e., place parentheses around the prepositional phrases for the prepositions you already highlighted.

8e. Optional: In your notebook, write sentences using prepositional phrases, and highlight the prepositional phrases.

**Basic Level:** Write ten sentences.

**Extensions:** Write ten sentences containing information from the Wisdom Booklet or another source.

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**9. Study Skills/Prewriting/Composition:**

Take Notes and Write an Original Opening Paragraph for an Informative Essay

9a. Now that you have the body of your essay written, you are ready to write notes for an original opening paragraph to go with the body. Follow these steps:

1. Read the body of your essay aloud to yourself, and consider the options for opening your essay.
   a. Scripture passage
   b. Song
   c. Story
   d. Definition
   e. Example in Scripture
   f. Something you want to open and close your essay with (a continuing poem, verse, story, etc.)

2. Now that you have decided how you are going to open your essay, you are ready to write notes for your opening paragraph. Follow these steps:
   a. Write only notes—not complete sentences.
   b. It is okay if you have more information than you need. You can omit some later when it is time to write.
   c. Do not worry about the exact order of the notes; you will be arranging them when you are ready to write.
   d. Write your notes on the lines provided.

**Notes for Opening Paragraph**

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9b. Using your notes for your opening paragraph, write the opening paragraph of your essay in your notebook, writing on every other line.

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**Transition Sentence**

A transition sentence:

1. Takes the reader from one paragraph to the next.
2. Includes something from the previous paragraph and the topic of the next paragraph, if possible.
3. May be the final sentence of the preceding paragraph or the first sentence of the new paragraph.
4. Introduces the reader to the topic of the next paragraph.

**Teacher Tip:**
Encourage your Level C student to design creative openings for his report. Have him read the body of his report and think of an opening that ties into the body and captures the reader’s attention.

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10. **Grammar:** Determining Subjects by Identifying Prepositional Phrases

In this lesson, you will learn to identify prepositional phrases so that you can find main subjects in sentences. In a complex sentence it can be difficult to determine the main subject of the sentence in order to match it with the right form of the main verb.

1. Correct: Only one of the children is coming.
   
2. Incorrect: Only one of the children are coming.

3. Correct: The boy or the girls of the class are coming.

4. Incorrect: The boy or the girls of the class is coming.

5. Correct: The children, just coming in from the storm, were scared.

6. Incorrect: The children, just coming in from the storm, was scared.

The difficulty when writing with proper subject-verb agreement is that complex sentences have prepositional phrases, describers, clauses, etc., that make it difficult to identify the main subjects. For this reason, it is helpful to recognize prepositional phrases and isolate them in order to see the remaining main subject (and describers) and the verb or verb phrase. This makes subject-verb agreement much easier.

Remember, the subject of the sentence is who or what the sentence is about. Now that you are writing more complex sentences, you will need to watch for “distracters” words and phrases that distract from the subject.

- **10a. In the passage, circle the simple subjects of the sentences.**

This should be fairly easy since you have already identified the prepositional phrases. Remember, the subject of the sentence is never in the prepositional phrase. However, on rare occasions, a PP may be the subject of a sentence. If you have trouble finding the subject, remember to ask yourself who or what performed the verb of the sentence.

- **10b. (T) Recite twenty prepositions to your teacher. (You may use the Preposition-Check Sentences, if desired.)**

- **10c. Optional: Make a Grammar Card about subject/verb agreement, or add new information to an existing one.**

- **10d. Study the Grammar Card about subject/verb agreement.**

- **10e. In the sentences provided, complete the following steps:**

1. Place parentheses around the prepositional phrases.

2. Highlight the main subject (not the subjects within clauses—just the main subject of each sentence).

3. Highlight with another color the verbs (action or being).

   1. The hypothalamus is located in the lower center of the brain.

   2. By being alarmed every time we see sin, we benefit from the adrenaline which our body releases as well as from the power which the Holy Spirit gives us to resist temptation.

   3. With this physical and spiritual power through our position in Christ, we are able to either flee or to stand fast when evil comes.

   4. According to Scripture, sometimes the believer is to flee.
5. As a vasodilator, epinephrine also opens the blood vessels of the skeletal muscles.
6. All three factors combine to create a surge of energy that is often called the “second wind.”
7. Both sympathetic and parasympathetic activities of the autonomic nervous system are controlled by the hypothalamus.
8. When threatened, the body automatically dilates the pupils of the eye, allowing more light to enter the eye.
9. Only 150,000 hairs are located on the scalp.
10. The purpose of goose bumps is to insulate the body from heat loss during cold weather.
11. In warm weather they serve as tiny cooling towers.
12. Each hair acts like a wick to increase the evaporation of perspiration.
13. To slow the heart down, impulses travel from the hypothalamus to the heart through the vagus nerve.
14. Norepinephrine and acetylcholine work together like the accelerator and brakes of a car.
15. For a quick start, the accelerator may be floored.
16. If the car goes too fast, the driver removes his foot from the accelerator and applies the brakes.
17. Stress also stimulates the body to conserve water.
18. This conservation is accomplished through the hypothalamus, which prompts the pituitary gland to release ADH.
19. As ADH flows into the blood stream, it causes the kidneys to retain water.
20. The lack of saliva results in a dry mouth.

11. **Prewriting/Composition:** Take Notes and Write an Original Closing Paragraph for an Informative Essay

- **11a.** Lastly, you are ready to write notes for the closing paragraph of your essay on *to see with understanding*. Follow these instructions:
  1. Consider how you want to close your essay. For example:
     a. Continue the opening that you started with (the story, poem, Scripture, song, etc.).
     b. Summarize your essay—If you choose to do this, be sure you do not repeat your entire report in this paragraph. Just summarize the essay, repeat the highlights only, or draw it to a conclusion.
     c. Focus on another aspect of *seeing with understanding*, and tie all three of the areas together.
  2. Write enough notes for 4–10 sentences in your notebook, again not worrying about the order, having too much, etc.

**Notes for Closing Paragraph**
11b. Now write the closing paragraph of your essay following the same steps as you did for the body.

12. Composition: Edit and Revise

12. Use the Checklist Challenge that follows this week’s lesson to edit your essay.
   1. Check off each item as it is completed.
   2. Complete each revision for each paragraph, as indicated.
   3. Insert revisions into your rough draft paragraphs that are in your notebook.
   4. Highlight each revision in your rough draft as suggested in the Teacher’s Guide or as directed by your teacher.

13. Spelling: Spelling Test

13a. (T) In your notebook, take a Spelling Test consisting of this week’s words and any Review Words.

13b. (T) Have your teacher check your Spelling Test.

13c. (T) Add any misspelled words your teacher chooses to the Review Words section of next week’s Spelling Lesson.

14. Dictation: Dictation Quiz

14a. (T) In your notebook, take dictation from this week’s passage, at the level directed by your teacher.

14b. (T) Review your dictation with your teacher.

14c. (T) Add any misspelled words your teacher chooses to the Review Words section of next week’s Spelling Lesson.

Teacher Tip: Follow these steps for your student’s weekly dictation quiz:

1. Write any difficult words on the whiteboard for your student before beginning dictation—especially names of people and places.
2. Read the entire first paragraph to him to remind him of its contents.
3. Read the first sentence to him, pausing for the commas and dashes and stopping for the end marks.
4. Re-read the first sentence to him a few words at a time (or more if he can handle more). Go as slowly or as quickly as your student can handle.
5. Re-read any of the sentences that he needs repeated—as often as he needs it.
6. Continue the above process for the entire dictation quiz. Be sure to tell him when a new paragraph begins.

Teacher Tip: Revising essays and completing the Checklist Challenge is easier if your student used a computer to type his rough draft. After making revisions to his paper copy, he can make the changes to his report on the computer and print it.
15. Composition:
Final Copy Informative Essay

☐ 15a. Write the final copy of your essay in your notebook, writing on every line. If you prefer, you may type it on the computer.

☐ 15b. Read your final copy aloud. Do you like the way it sounds now? Do you notice an improvement in your essay since you completed the Checklist Challenge?

Extra Practice (Optional)

1E. In your notebook, write eight sentences with prepositional phrase openers. Use information from the Wisdom Booklet or another source.

2E. In your notebook, write more notes about George Washington from the Wisdom Booklet or another source.

3E. In your notebook, write a paragraph using your notes from this lesson.

4E. Edit and revise your paragraph using this week’s Checklist Challenge.

5E. In your notebook, write twenty soft and hard c words.

6E. Read ten passages in the Bible that discuss the power of the tongue.

7E. Find ten sentences with prepositional phrases from the Wisdom Booklet or another source, and copy them into your notebook. Isolate the prepositional phrases with parentheses.

8E. In your notebook, write ten sentences using prepositional phrase openers; highlight the subject of each sentence.

9E. In your notebook, write any paragraphs, reports, letters, journal entries, poems, or essays as directed by your teacher.

Teacher Tip: If your student asks for spelling help during dictation, consider doing one of the following three things:

1. Remind him that he knows this word and encourage him to try it on his own—especially if it is one of his spelling words or a word he should already know from past lessons.

2. Remind him of the word family or of a rhyming word that he already knows. (“Remember, would is from the word, could, should family.”)

3. Write the word on the whiteboard for him if he cannot encode it by any other method. After the dictation quiz, you may consider which words you will have him add to next week’s Review Words from his misspelled dictation words. (For example, you may decide halfway through dictation that you really should have put that difficult word on the whiteboard from the beginning. In that case, do not put it on his Review Words list for next week.)
1C Week 1 Checklist Challenge

Complete the Checklist Challenge by using these guides:
• Determine which check boxes apply to your level.
• Each box will indicate the number of changes that need to be completed (normally one box for each paragraph).

- **All Levels**
- **Basic Level** only
- **Extension** only
- **FURTHER EXTENSION** only
- **BASIC and EXTENSION** only (No FURTHER EXTENSION)
- All levels—checks will vary

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Read each paragraph of your essay aloud to your teacher or an older sibling. Together, listen for sentences that sound unclear. Correct only content errors at this time.

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Check every sentence in each paragraph to make sure that each sentence is a complete sentence (CAVES):
• Capital at beginning
• All makes sense
• Verb
• End mark
• Subject

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Check your essay to make sure each paragraph contains all five parts of a paragraph (OCCTI):
• Opening sentence
• Closing sentence
• Content all the same (same subject)
• Three or more sentences
• Indented

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Circle each verb in each paragraph with a highlighter. This will make it easier to add *ly* words to change your verbs as further directed. Be sure to circle all of the following verbs:
• Action verbs (show what the subject does)
• Be, a Helper, Link verbs (*is, are, was, were*, etc.)
• Infinitives (*to* + verb)

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Change one of the “boring” verbs in each paragraph to a “strong” verb. You may select one from the list below or choose one of your own:

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Add an adverb (ly word or other) that does not modify a verb. This will modify an adjective or another adverb and will answer the question “To what extent?” Examples:

- The extremely kind lady prayed for us. (modifies the adjective kind)
- He shouted very loudly. (modifies the adverb loudly)

Place three adverbs in your essay in three different positions. Examples:

- At the beginning of the sentence: “Joyfully, he shouted the answer.”
- At the end of the sentence: “He shouted the answer joyfully.”
- Just before the word it modifies: “He joyfully shouted the answer.”
- Just after the word it modifies: “He shouted joyfully the answer.”

Create a title for your essay, and put it at the top of the essay. Consider the following ideas:

- Something catchy
- Something comical
- Something bold
- A song title or line
- A Scripture
- Something Biblical
- Something about character
- Other

Add a transition sentence to the beginning of the second paragraph or at the end of the first paragraph. Be sure your transition sentence takes the reader smoothly from the first paragraph to the second paragraph. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher.

Add three SSSS’s in a row to one paragraph for emphasis. For example: “We prayed. We fasted. We believed.” If you have already done this, highlight them as directed by your teacher.

Using a thesaurus, change one word in each paragraph to a more advanced word.

Choose a word (or forms of a word) that you used more than one time within each paragraph. If the word sounds redundant, change that word, at least once, to a word with a similar meaning. (Do not change insignificant words such as was, it, and, etc.)

Add one or more interjections to the beginning of one of your sentences, or add a new sentence with an interjection to your essay. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher.

- You may follow it with a comma: “Yes, the Bible is the Book for me!”
- You may follow it with an exclamation mark, then start a new sentence with a capital: “Yes! The Bible is the Book for me.”

Start one or more of your sentences with an adverb (ly word). Place a comma where you hear a pause. The comma may be directly after the adverb or shortly after it. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher. Examples:

- Adverb opener: “Clearly, Jesus cares for us.”
- Adverbial clause or phrase opener: “Clearly caring for us, Jesus is our Savior.”
Add one or more prepositional phrase openers to each paragraph. If it is long, or if you hear a pause after it, follow it with a comma. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher. Examples:

- “In the garden, . . .”
- “From the beginning, . . .”
- “With careful thought and planning, . . .”
- “Out of Your creative genius, . . .”
- “Of all the miracles of Your creation, . . .”
- “For all of this and more, . . .”
- “In reverence and adoration, . . .”

Add different sentence openers (also known as introductory material or nonessential information) to your essay. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher. You may choose:

- A subordinate clause opener: “Because sheep can teach us a lot, . . .”
- A prepositional phrase opener: “In learning about sheep, . . .”
- An ing opener: “Learning about sheep, . . .”
- An ed opener: “Created for good works, we should seek to please God.”
- A short PP that requires a comma: “From the start, . . .”
- An ly word (adverb): “Creatively, God designed . . .”
- An ly phrase or clause followed by a comma: “Creatively designing all things, God made man.”
- A conjunctive adverb: “Thus, we should be grateful . . .”
- An interjection: “Yes, we should be grateful . . .”
- Other nonessential material of your choice: “Other than this, . . .”

Combine two sentences into one in each paragraph using the conciseness technique of your choice. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher. You may choose from the following:

- Appositive usage
- Compound verbs, nouns, etc.
- Prepositional phrase placement
- Conjunctive adverbs
- Dash preceding clause or phrase
- Coordinating conjunction between two complete sentences
- Subordinate clause placement
- Another nonessential opener
- Parenthetical phrases
- Colon usage
- Semicolon between two complete sentences

Add one or more sets of descriptive double adjectives separated with and or a comma. If you have already done this, highlight it as directed by your teacher.

Edit each paragraph of your essay with your teacher, and correct any usage or spelling errors.
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3. Complete the following steps:

1. In the paragraphs provided, make corrections at the level directed by your teacher.
   - **BASIC LEVEL:** Correct only the first paragraph.
   - **EXTENSION:** Correct the first and second paragraphs.
   - **FURTHER EXTENSION:** Correct all three paragraphs.
2. In the first paragraph, highlight all of the prepositions.
3. **EXTENSIONS:** In the second paragraph, highlight with another color all of the prepositional phrases.

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After the flood, Noah and his family began to repopulate the earth, all of their descendants spoke the same language. Rather than spreading throughout the world, they stayed in one area and laid the foundations for a highly developed city later known as Babylon. Godless humanism, with its practice of astrology, became the motivating force of this system.

The people decided to use their great intellectual abilities to build a huge tower that would “reach unto the heaven.” Some scholars think their actual purpose was to design an observatory from which to examine the heavens for evil purposes. God declared that nothing would restrain them from achieving their imaginations.

This account reveals that it is God who created different languages. Although His original purpose in doing so was to restrain man’s sinful ambition, God has also purposed to use the different languages to bring glory to Himself. The Book of Revelation declares that the multitude of worshippers around the throne in heaven will include those redeemed “out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation.”

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5e. In the sentences provided, highlight the prepositions.

Note: There may be more than one preposition in some sentences.

**Example:** In this passage, we see that the pen of the Godly is mightier than the sword.

1. Vladimir Ulyanov experienced great sorrow during his life.
2. His father died at the time when Vladimir was only sixteen years old.
3. His brother was arrested due to his involvement in a plot to assassinate the czar.
4. His sister was arrested because of her contact with her brother.
5. Vladimir was expelled from school for participating in a local demonstration.
6. A friend gave Vladimir a copy of Das Kapital.
7. Das Kapital was written by Karl Marx.
8. He read it with great enthusiasm.
9. This work fed the flames of revolution in Vladimir’s heart.
10. This work helped transform him into the gruesome tyrant that he became.
11. This man is known to most as Nikolai Lenin.
12. What destruction was brought to Lenin’s life by the written word!
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7. Complete the following steps:
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2. In the first paragraph, highlight the prepositional phrases.
3. In the second paragraph, highlight each infinitive—

4. FURTHER EXTENSION: In the last paragraph, highlight the sentence openers, and place commas following them, if you have not already done so.

Teacher Tip: Do not consider any sentences wrong in the ED’s in which your student combined sentences with a semicolon rather than inserting a period and starting a new sentence. Be glad he can use semicolons correctly!

Just as Jesus saw the multitudes with understanding and compassion, so He calls us to do the same. Early in his ministry, Christ instructed His disciples to see the spiritual needs of those around them. He compared the multitudes to fields of a ready harvest.

Later in His ministry, Jesus told His disciples to pray that God would send out laborers into His harvest. The laborers need be only few in number if they perceive the needs of people and are trained to meet those needs.

At the end of his ministry, Jesus commanded His disciples to go into the harvest and continue the work He had begun. As Christ saw needs, so should we. As our lives are in tune with the Spirit of God, He will give us discernment and we will not overlook the real needs of people around us.

8d. In the sentences from exercise 5e., place parentheses around the prepositional phrases for the prepositions you already highlighted.
   1. Vladimir Ulyanov experienced great sorrow (during his life).
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1. Place parentheses around the prepositional phrases.

2. Highlight the main subject (not the subjects within clauses—just the main subject of each sentence).

3. Highlight with another color the verbs (action or being).

1. The hypothalamus is located (in the lower center) (of the brain).

2. By being alarmed every time we see sin, we benefit (from the adrenaline) which our body releases as well as (from the power) which the Holy Spirit gives us to resist temptation.

3. (With this physical and spiritual power) (through our position) (in Christ), we are able to either flee or to stand fast when evil comes.

4. (According to Scripture), sometimes the believer is to flee.

5. As a vasodilator, epinephrine also opens the blood vessels (of the skeletal muscles).

6. All three factors combine to create a surge (of energy) that is often called the “second wind.”

7. Both sympathetic and parasympathetic activities (of the autonomic nervous system) are controlled (by the hypothalamus).

8. When threatened, the body automatically dilates the pupils (of the eye), allowing more light to enter the eye.

9. Only 150,000 hairs are located (on the scalp).

10. The purpose (of goose bumps) is to insulate the body (from heat loss) (during cold weather).

11. (In warm weather) they serve as tiny cooling towers.

12. Each hair acts like a wick to increase the evaporation (of perspiration).

13. To slow the heart down, impulses travel (from the hypothalamus) (to the heart) (through the vagus nerve).

14. Norepinephrine and acetylcholine work together like the accelerator and brakes (of a car).

15. (For a quick start), the accelerator may be floored.

16. If the car goes too fast, the driver removes his foot (from the accelerator) and applies the brakes. (compound main verbs)

17. Stress also stimulates the body to conserve water.
18. This **conservation** is accomplished (through the hypothalamus), which prompts the pituitary gland to release ADH.

19. As ADH flows (into the blood stream), **it causes** the kidneys to retain water.

20. The **lack** (of saliva) **results** (in a dry mouth).