

# HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

With *180 Days of Language*, students receive practice with punctuation, identifying parts of speech, capitalization, and spelling. The daily practice will develop students' writing efforts and oral reading skills.

## Easy to Use and Standards-Based

These activities reinforce grade-level skills across a variety of language concepts. The questions are provided as a full practice page, making them easy to prepare and implement as part of a classroom morning routine, at the beginning of each language arts lesson, or as homework.

Every practice page provides questions that are tied to a language standard. Students are given opportunities for regular practice in language skills, allowing them to build confidence through these quick standards-based activities.

Question	Language Skill	Common Core State Standard
1	capitalization	<b>Language Standard 2.2a</b> —Capitalize holidays, product names, and geographic names.
2–3	punctuation	<b>Language Standard 2.2b</b> —Use commas in greetings and closings of letters. <b>Language Standard 2.2c</b> —Use an apostrophe to form contractions and frequently occurring possessives.
4–5	parts of speech	<b>Language Standard 2.1a</b> — Use collective nouns. <b>Language Standard 2.1b</b> —Form and use frequently occurring irregular plural nouns. <b>Language Standard 2.1c</b> —Use reflexive pronouns. <b>Language Standard 2.1d</b> — Form and use the past tense of frequently occurring irregular verbs. <b>Language Standard 2.1e</b> — Use adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.
6	spelling	<b>Language Standard 2.2d</b> —Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words.

**Note:** Because articles and possessive pronouns are also adjectives, they are included in the answer key as such. Depending on students knowledge of this, grade activity sheets accordingly.



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIRECTIONS** Read and answer each question.**SCORE**

1. (Y) (N)

1. Write a sentence about a place you would like to go on vacation.

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2. (Y) (N)

2. Add punctuation to the letter greeting.

Dear Mom and Dad

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4. (Y) (N)

3. Write the contraction to complete the sentence.

The rain \_\_\_\_\_ stop so let's go inside.  
(will not)

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6. (Y) (N)

4. Write a noun to complete the sentence.

The bright \_\_\_\_\_ attracted all the bees.

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\_\_\_ / 6  
Total

5. What is the past tense of *catch*?

catched

catchy

caught

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6. Circle the correctly spelled word.

ranj  
ranje  
range

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIRECTIONS** Read and answer each question.**1.** Circle the words that need capital letters.

whenever I have a cold, I sleep with a kleenex™  
box next to my bed.

1. (Y) (N)

**2.** What are the two meanings of *how's*?

how's = \_\_\_\_\_

how's = \_\_\_\_\_

2. (Y) (N)

3. (Y) (N)

**3.** Write an object that belongs to your classmate.

\_\_\_\_\_ 's \_\_\_\_\_

5. (Y) (N)

6. (Y) (N)

**4.** Circle the adverb to complete the sentence.

The car sped quickly down the road.

\_\_\_ / 6

Total

**5.** Circle the adjectives in the sentence.

The tall woman has beautiful, long hair.

**6.** Circle the word that is spelled correctly.

koff                      coff                      cough

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIRECTIONS** Read and answer each question.**SCORE**

1. (Y) (N)

1. Name a continent.  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. (Y) (N)

2. Circle the contractions in the sentence.  
.....The artwork can't fit on the wall because it's too big.  
.....

3. (Y) (N)

3. Write an object that belongs to a family member.  
.....\_\_\_\_\_ 's \_\_\_\_\_  
.....

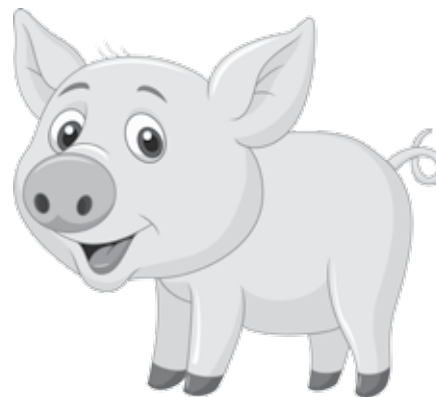
5. (Y) (N)

4. Write the correct verb to complete the sentence.  
.....The baby piglet had \_\_\_\_\_ his mother and  
cuddled with her. (find, found)  
.....

6. (Y) (N)

\_\_\_ / 6

Total

5. Circle the pronoun in the sentence.  
.....The ant can carry huge, heavy objects by itself.  
.....6. Circle the correctly spelled word.  
.....happines  
happiness  
happinness  
.....

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIRECTIONS** Read and answer each question.

1. Which word is always capitalized?

Me Vermont Vacation

1. (Y) (N)

2. What is another way to write *the pencil belongs to Sheila*?

Sheila's pencil Sheilas' pencil Sheilas pencil

2. (Y) (N)

3. (Y) (N)

3. Write a short letter with one or two sentences. Don't forget the greeting and closing.

4. (Y) (N)

5. (Y) (N)

6. (Y) (N)

\_\_\_ / 6

4. Write an adverb to complete the sentence.

The clown juggled the balls \_\_\_\_\_ during the circus performance.

Total

5. What is the past tense of *pay*?

paide payd paid

6. Circle the word that is spelled correctly.

confusion confushun confution

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIRECTIONS** Read and answer each question.**SCORE**

1. (Y) (N)

1. Write an example of a brand name you know.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. (Y) (N)

2. Add an apostrophe to the sentence.

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The seal should've watched out more carefully for those killer whales.

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3. (Y) (N)

3. Write contractions for the following phrases.

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who will

there is

\_\_\_\_\_

5. (Y) (N)

4. Circle the adverb in the sentence.

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The students busily put away their backpacks to start their day.

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6. (Y) (N)

5. Write the past tense word to complete the sentence.

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Yesterday I \_\_\_\_\_ to get my bag, but I forgot it. (mean)

.....

\_\_\_ / 6

Total

6. Circle the word that is spelled correctly.

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addishun

addision

addition

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# ANSWER KEY *(cont.)*

## Day 133

1. Answers will vary.
2. Why **won't** the group start getting its work done?
3. Dear dentist, I am nervous to see you. I have not been flossing like you told me to. Your patient, Ella
4. a bunch of bananas
5. After a lot of practice, Claire could swim in the deep end by **herself**.
6. balance

## Day 134

1. Utah
2. your friend's mother
3. Dear Dad, I am sorry you broke your leg. May I sign your cast? Your daughter, Alice
4. Answers will vary.
5. made
6. pity

## Day 135

1. continent names
2. Gus wasn't sure that the pool's heater was turned on because the water was cold.
3. what's, mightn't, I've
4. Sophie ran out on the soccer field **quickly** so that she had time to practice.
5. The boss **paid** his workers once a month.
6. page

## Day 136

1. The states of **North Carolina** and **South Carolina** border each other.
2. Dear Mom,
3. Air pollution **isn't** always visible, but **it's** still all around us.
4. **The brown** bear walked along **the icy** river, looking for **fresh** salmon to eat.
5. I don't know if the **women** work at the library.
6. heal

## Day 137

1. It is a holiday.
2. why'd
3. our school's garden
4. wool
5. Who can ride a scooter **quickly** without getting hurt?
6. preacher

## Day 138

1. Answers will vary.
2. The teacher **should've** warned us that we were having a test so we could have studied.
3. I'll, couldn't, here's
4. a faculty of teachers
5. You are not allowed to have **yourself** as a secret buddy.
6. stitch

## Day 139

1. I wanted to wake up early and make breakfast for my mom the morning of **Mother's Day**.
2. My friend's so nice. I am lucky to know her.
3. we would (or we had), let us
4. Answers will vary.
5. Answers will vary.
6. took

## Day 140

1. **Central America** is directly north of **South America**.
2. The dog park isn't open because the park's gates are broken and dogs might escape.
3. couldn't, might've
4. Answers will vary.
5. Answers will vary.
6. wade

## Day 141

1. Answers will vary.
2. Dear Mom and Dad,
3. The rain **won't** stop, so let's go inside.
4. Answers will vary.
5. caught
6. range

## Day 142

1. **Whenever** I have a cold, I sleep with a **Kleenex** box next to my bed.
2. how is, how has
3. Answers will vary.
4. The police car sped **quickly** down the road.
5. **The tall** woman has **beautiful, long** hair.
6. cough

## Day 143

1. Answers will vary.
2. The artwork **can't** fit on the wall because **it's** too big.
3. Answers will vary.
4. The baby piglet had **found** his mother and cuddled with her.
5. The ant can carry huge, heavy objects by **itself**.
6. happiness

## Day 144

1. Vermont
2. Sheila's pencil
3. Answers will vary.
4. Answers will vary.
5. paid
6. confusion

# ANSWER KEY *(cont.)*

## Day 145

1. Answers will vary.
2. The seal should've watched out more carefully for those killer whales.
3. who'll, there's
4. The students **busily** put away their backpacks to start their day.
5. Yesterday I **meant** to get my bag, but I forgot it.
6. addition

## Day 146

1. Should we go to **Hawaii** for summer vacation?
2. why is, why has
3. Answers will vary.
4. **The prickly** cactus bloomed and is covered with **red** flowers.
5. Would the **men** be able to check the engine on my car?
6. thoughtful

## Day 147

1. Did you know that the capital of **Italy** is **Rome** or that the capital of **Germany** is **Berlin**?
2. Answers will vary.
3. the bull's horns
4. sheep
5. The kitten **playfully** swatted the ball of yarn.
6. brightness

## Day 148

1. Answers will vary.
2. I hope that **you've** learned an important lesson about being a good friend.
3. we've, she'll, who'd
4. an audience
5. Answers will vary.
6. direction

## Day 149

1. New Year's Day
2. the house's icicle
3. Answers will vary.
4. Answers will vary.
5. Answers will vary.
6. brightest

## Day 150

1. Some people decided to travel to **Omaha**, while others headed the other way, to **Topeka**.
2. Kevin's aunt isn't the nicest person in the world.
3. don't, won't
4. We visited Grandpa in the hospital and **cheerfully** told him to feel better.
5. Answers will vary.
6. select

## Day 151

1. Answers will vary.
2. they would, they had
3. The librarian **must've** set the book aside for me because I **don't** see it here.
4. a panel
5. wrote
6. exchange

## Day 152

1. Our family loves to watch fireworks on the **Fourth** of **July**.
2. aren't, it's, wasn't
3. what is, is not
4. Answers will vary.
5. **The new** computer was quite **a nice** surprise.
6. determine

## Day 153

1. Answers will vary.
2. The principal **wouldn't** tell us which class won the pizza party until the end of the day.
3. Dear Mason, You are working hard. Keep it up! Sincerely, Principal Jefferson
4. a band
5. Answers will vary.
6. represent

## Day 154

1. Washington, Halloween
2. Noah's robot
3. the scientist's time machine
4. a set
5. stung
6. geometric

## Day 155

1. **Jayden's** family was very excited. They were together for a party.
2. "A new video game! It's exactly what I wanted," yelled Scott.
3. could not, it is
4. Olivia cleaned her dirty room **promptly** before her friends saw it.
5. Olivia cleaned **her dirty** room promptly before **her close** friends saw it.
6. grateful

## Day 156

1. The capital of **China** is **Beijing**.
2. Dear Aiden,
3. The storm caused us to lose power, so we **couldn't** watch television.
4. **The slimy** monster had **eight** heads and **red** eyes.
5. I saw **mice** in the basement.
6. sphere