

# Language Notebook



# Capitalization

L.4.2.a I can use correct capitalization.

## Capitalization Rules

The first letter of the first word in a sentence

Example

Tomorrow we are going to the zoo.  
How many people are going with you?

Names of People and Places (proper nouns)

Examples

Heather   Jacob   Target   McDonald's

Days, Months, and Holidays

Example

Wednesday   Friday   May   October  
Valentine's Day   Christmas

The main words in a title

Examples

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory  
Chocolate Fever

Titles that come before someone's name

Examples

Dr. Smith   Mrs. Shelby  
Mr. Swift   Principal Jones

The pronoun "I"

Example

I will have my homework  
tomorrow.





# Homophones

L.4.l.g I can correctly use homophones.

Homophones are words that sound the same, but have different spellings and meanings.

## Homophones

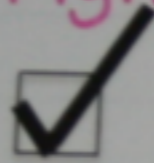
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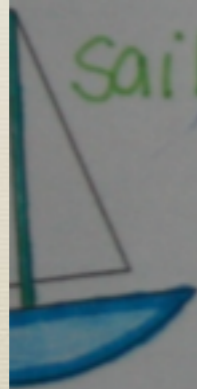
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# Homophones I

to - in the direction of  
too - also  
two - 2

there - in a certain location  
they're - they are  
their - something belonging to them

threw  
The baseball player threw the ball.

through  
My friend went through the haunted house last night.

made  
I made a 100% on my math test.

maid  
The maid cleaned our hotel room.

knew  
Skyler knew the answer to the question.

new  
I bought new shoes to wear to school.

hear  
Did you hear the answer to number four?

here  
Here is your pencil.

weak  
Nicole felt weak after having the flu.

week  
Next week we will start swimming after school.



# Prepositions

L.4.1.e I can form and use prepositional phrases.

Prepositions are words that show relationships, such as a point in time, to tell about direction, or to show where something is.





## Crazy Squirrel

# Prepositional Phrases

a prepositional phrase  
is a group of words  
that begins with a  
preposition.



The squirrel wore  
a hat on his head.



The squirrel  
held the acorn  
above his head.



The squirrel hid  
behind the leaves.



The squirrel held two  
acorns in his hands.



The acorns fell to  
the ground.



# Adages & Proverbs


L.4.5.b I can recognize and explain the meaning of common adage proverbs.

Adage is a short saying that expresses a general truth about human nature.

## My Book of Adages





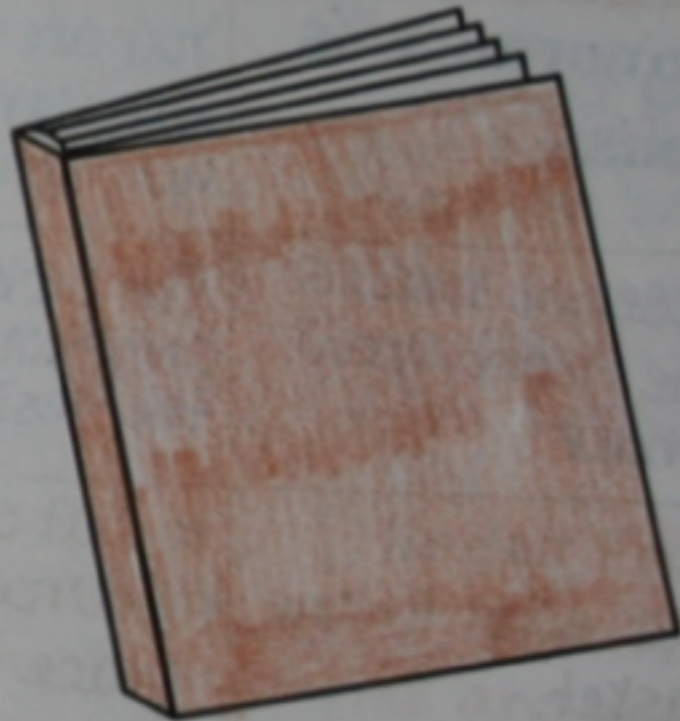
Adage	Meaning
Better late than never	Doing something late is better than not doing it at all
The early bird gets the worm 	Whoever arrives first has the best chance for success
Better safe than sorry	Be cautious, if not you may regret it
Kill two birds with one stone	Accomplish two tasks by one action
All that glitters is not gold	Sometimes things promise to be more than what they really are
It's always darkest before the dawn	things look the worst right before they get better

Adage	Meaning
Two heads are better than one	Working together is better than working alone
Like father, like son	Sons tend to do what their fathers did before them
Birds of a feather flock together	Similar types of people like to be with each other
Practice makes perfect	doing something over and over is the only way to learn it well
Opposites attract	People are attracted to others that are different from themselves
When it rains, it pours	when things go wrong, a lot of things go wrong at the same time.



A proverb is a short saying that gives advice.

# My Book of Proverbs



Figurative Language



Proverb	Meaning
Don't judge a book by its cover.	You should pre-judge the value or worth of something by its outside.
Don't count your chickens before they hatch	Wait until a good thing <del>has</del> has actually happened before making plans about it
Ignorance is bliss	You are often happier when you don't know something
Absence makes the heart grow fonder	The lack of something increases the desire for it.
Don't put all your eggs in one basket.	to put all your resources in one place
An apple a day keeps the doctor away	eating healthy keeps you from getting sick

Proverb	Meaning
A chain is as strong as its weakest link	a successful team or group <sup>members</sup> rely on each other to do well
A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush	It's better to have a lesser but certain advantage than a possibility of a greater one that may come to nothing
You don't get something for nothing	Everything costs something, and that appears to be free must be deceptive
Actions speak louder than words	What you do is more important than what you say
Don't cut off your nose to spite your face	Self destructive over reaction to a problem is not the answer
Give credit where credit is due	Acknowledge someone's contribution or ability