

English Language Arts
Grade Level Content Expectations

Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics

	MEAP Testing								
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sentence Structure									
Simple		X			X				
Complex			X*						
Identify Fragments			X*						
Compound			X		X		X		
Complete/incomplete			X						
Objects (direct/indirect)					X				
Compound subject & predicate						X			
Punctuation									
End Punctuation									
Period		X							
Question Mark		X							
Exclamation Point		X							
Quotation Marks							X		
QM in Dialogue				X					
QM in titles...					X				
Commas									
Dates			X						
Letter – greeting & closing		X							
In a series				X					
Set off dialogue, phrases, words					X*				

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Commas									
Interrupters							X*		
Appositives							X*		
Colons									
Time List			X						
List						X			
Hyphens									
Between syllables					X				
Compound & number words						X			
Between Independent clauses						X			
Apostrophes									
Possession-Singular & Plural								X	
In Contractions					X				
Introductory phrases							X		
Capitalization									
First & Last Names		X							
Days & Months		X							
Pronoun I		X							
Sentence beginning		X							
Proper Names			X*						
Titles			X*						
Holidays			X*						
Initials of People			X*						
Historical Events & Organizations					X*				
Abbreviations					X*				
Underline/Italics specific words or information							X		
Parentheses								X	
Style Conventions MLA							X	X	X

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Grammar									
<i>Nouns</i>									
Identify			X						
Common/proper					X				
Possessive				X					
Subject						X*			
Object						X*			
<i>Verbs</i>									
Action			X						
Linking Verbs			X*						
Regular verbs					X				
Irregular verbs					X				
Transitive & Intransitive							X		
Past/Present/Future Tenses								X	
Continuous Verb Tenses								X	
<i>Pronouns</i>									
Define/identify					X				
Antecedents					X				
Indefinite pronouns							X		
Predicate pronouns							X		
Proper Pronouns						X			
<i>Adjectives</i>									
Define/identify					X				
Proper					X*				
Comparative					X*				
Superlative					X*				
Articles					X*				
Predicate					X*				
Adjective phrases							X		
Comparative adjectives							X		
Superlative adjectives							X		
<i>Adverbs</i>									
Adverbial phrases							X		
Comparative adverbs							X		
Superlative adverbs							X		

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Articles						X			
Conjunctions									
Articles & conjunctions to connect ideas						X			
Conjunctions to make transitions						X			
Infinitives									X
Gerunds									X
Dashes or ellipsis									X
Prepositional phrases					X				
Clauses									
Independent/subordinate clauses									
Essential/non essential clauses									
Adverbial Subordinate clauses							X		
Adjective clauses							X		
Noun clauses									
Participial Phrases								X	X
Usage									
Subject/verb agreement				X					
Irregular verbs					X				
Pronoun/antecedent agreement					X				

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