

Lesson 10: Master Language Arts Foundations with DK Workbooks

Learning Objectives

- Read and spell CVC/CVCE words and common digraphs.
- Identify nouns, verbs, and adjectives; apply capitalization and punctuation.
- Compose complete sentences with subject–verb agreement.
- Write 2–3 sentence paragraphs with a main idea and supporting details.

Materials Needed

- DK Workbooks: Language Arts, First Grade
- Pencils, crayons/markers, mini whiteboard
- Sight word flashcards or word ring
- Timer for 8–12 minute practice blocks

5-Day ELA Routine

- 1 Day 1 – Phonics Focus: Practice CVC and CVCE word patterns. Read aloud and sort by sound.
- 2 Day 2 – Grammar Mini-Lesson: Identify nouns, verbs, and adjectives using color-coding.
- 3 Day 3 – Punctuation & Proof: Add punctuation to sample sentences and fix capitalization errors.
- 4 Day 4 – Writing Workshop: Use a picture prompt to write 2–3 connected sentences.
- 5 Day 5 – Review Game & Readback: Short quiz and read aloud of weekly paragraph.

Differentiation

- Support: Provide tracing models, sentence starters, and word banks.
- On-Level: Independent completion of workbook page plus one sentence extension.
- Advanced: Add conjunctions ('and', 'because') and write four sentences with adjectives.

Assessment & Tracking

- Quick check on 5 sight words and 3 grammar concepts each week.
- Student paragraph marked for spacing, capitals, and punctuation.
- Sight word mastery tracked using a word ring or sticker chart.

Extensions & Crossovers

- Science Connection: Label a plant or animal with adjectives.
- Reading Connection: Find and underline target phonics patterns in storybooks.
- Speaking Connection: Record a 30-second read-aloud of the student's paragraph.

Wrap-Up

Celebrate neat handwriting and clear sentences! Reinforce progress with verbal praise and visible progress tracking. DK's colorful visuals and simple structure make it ideal for short, focused literacy sessions.