

Possible Conventions Continuum 3-5

Grade	Spelling		Punctuation & Capitalization	Grammar
Third	<p>Using Spelling Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - word wall - word lists/dictionary - more difficult high frequency words - homophones/homonyms - Thesaurus - Patterns and affixes; "tion" for example 	<p>Spelling Strategies</p> <p>Atypical rules to know:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - doubling consonants - 'i' before 'e' - trying patterns that make sense, looking to see which seems more "right" 	<p>Review Ending Punctuation</p> <p>period question mark exclamation point</p> <p>Other Punctuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - quotation marks - use of commas in dialogue and with quotation marks - use of colons, semicolons - apostrophes in contractions - possessive apostrophe <p>Commas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - after salutation and closing in letters - in lists <p>Review Capitalization of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - first word of sentence - days, months, book titles - proper nouns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - introduction to paragraphing/chunking - complex sentences, joined by comma - noun/verb agreement - possession - preposition - adjectives/adverbs

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Fourth	<p>Use of Spelling Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - word wall - word list book - high frequency words, more difficult - homophones/homon yms 	<p>Spelling Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - atypical rules 	<p>Punctuation to pause colons semicolons</p> <p>Extended use of commas in more complex lists to divide ideas in a complex sentence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - moderate use of exclamation points - apostrophes <p>Capitalization Being sure not to capitalize prepositions in titles</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - complex sentences - noun/verb agreement - possession - moderate use of adjectives/adverbs - more sophisticated, crafted paragraphing
Fifth	<p>Use of Spelling Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - root words/etymologies - other languages/influences of - personal lists - commonly misspelled, more challenging words 	<p>Spelling Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - atypical rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - extended use of commas - use of commas inside dialogue - use of commas after expressive dialogue (i.e. – Yes, I am coming...) - hyphens and dashes - capitalization of titles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - complex sentences, with commas, semicolons - crafted paragraphing - active voice/passive voice - first, second, third person - pronouns in complex sentences