



The Lantern English Co.  
The Growing Writer

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## **Growing Grammar I – Syllabus**

**Course Description:** Writing isn't just about having good ideas. A good writer studies mechanics in order to write correctly, logically, and intelligently. This class covers the first five parts of speech (nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs) along with thorough instruction in verb tenses and simple sentence structure to help the student achieve better success in writing.

### **Course Outline:**

#### **Week One:** Nouns & Pronouns

- A. Concrete & Abstract Nouns
- B. Common Nouns & Proper Nouns
- C. Plural Nouns & Possessive Nouns
- D. Nominative & Possessive Pronouns

#### **Week Two:** Action & Linking Verbs

#### **Week Three:** Helping Verbs

#### **Week Four:** Verb Tenses – Present, Past, Future

#### **Week Five:** The Sentence

- A. Subjects & Verbs
- B. The Simple Sentence
- C. Sentence Styles & End Marks
- D. The Sentence Fragment

#### **Week Six:** Adding on – Adjectives

#### **Week Seven:** Adding on – Adverbs

#### **Week Eight:** Final Review



## Growing Grammar I – Grading Outline

All grammar classes will be graded based on the number of answers in each assignment. Assignments will not be graded on creativity or writing skills, as most of the assignments are technical. Assignments will be graded similar to a test or quiz. For example, if a student must underline ten nouns in an assignment and misses two, the student would receive an 80% on that assignment.

As there are numerous assignments in each lesson, the total number of required answers per lesson will be added up. Any incorrect answers will be subtracted from the score, and the grade will be given accordingly. For example, if there are 50 answers in a lesson, and a student misses 4, the grade is as follows:

$$50 - 4 = 46 \text{ points}$$

$$46/50 = 92\%$$

| Course Components  | Percentage of Final Grade |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Weekly Assignments | 70%                       |
| Final Test         | 30%                       |

### EXAMPLE

assignment grades: 70, 80, 90, 75, 87, 92, 94, 86 = 84%

average test grade: 94 %

$$.84 \times 70 = 58.8$$

$$.94 \times 30 = 28.2$$

**FINAL GRADE: 87%**