

Teacher's Guide

# **Methodological Approach**

The "Three Ps" is a common learning methodology widely accepted and practice in English language schools worldwide. *Presentation* is the introduction to learning language. *Practice* is the opportunity for students to practice, through several activities, the target language. *Production* is the final step of the learning process. By this stage the learner is using the language as opposed to learning the language.

Each unit in *Writing Tutor* covers the "Three Ps." The flow of each unit ensures that the learner first learns the language, then practices the language, then is finally considered a user of the language.

A warm-up section introduces students to the topic and encourages critical thinking while preparing students for the unit's material.



A practice section help students become familiar with the topic, vocabulary, and writing form.



The final section provides students with the opportunity to write their own sentences, paragraphs, and essays.

# Why Choose Writing Tutor?

*Writing Tutor* is a six-book series designed to guide upper elementary and middle school students as they improve their writing skills. The content covers a wide range of content-based topics and language materials. There are twelve units per level, spread across two books. *Writing Tutor* is designed to enable students to move from producing solid sentences to completing short essays. Model passages help students write their own sentences and essays. Overall, *Writing Tutor* is an ideal choice for students who need to improve their writing skills.

### **Features:**

- Full-color illustrations and photographs
- Clear, easy-to-use step-by-step instructions for every task
- Extensive writing-oriented activities on a variety of genres
- Modeled examples provide support in independent writing.
- Downloadable audio recordings, answer keys, and teaching tips

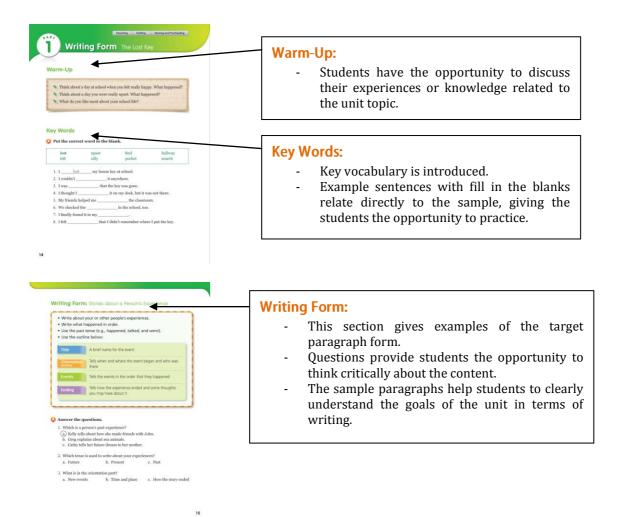
# **Getting to Know the Book**

## Introduction to the Writing Tutor Student Books

The *Writing Tutor* series prepares students for writing. It also helps students develop vocabulary and background knowledge about a topic. Students incorporate both new background knowledge and new vocabulary into their sentence and paragraph writing. Throughout each unit students learn and practice:

- 1) Writing form  $\rightarrow$  Understanding the writing process and types of writing
- 2) Prewriting → Making an outline with a guide
- 3) Drafting → Completing a first draft with a guide
- 4) Revising and Proofreading → Evaluating a final draft

### **Student Book Contents:**



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### **Writing Focus:**

- Students check their basic understanding of the grammar point.
- Students are encouraged to apply their knowledge to their own writing.



### **Complete the Sample Draft:**

- Students complete the sample draft.
- Key prompts help students improve their critical thinking and writing skills.



### **Write Your Own Outline:**

- Students prepare for guided writing by starting their own outline.
- Students are heavily guided to ensure they understand the key points of details in writing.



### **Complete Your 1st Draft:**

- Revision prompts help students revise and improve their writing.
- Students are prompted to re-phrase, paraphrase, etc.
- At this stage students are encouraged to check each other's work.

# **Scope and Sequence**

# Writing Tutor 1A

Unit / Part	Theme/Title	Vocabulary	Writing Form and Writing Focus
Unit 1 Part 1	D 1 (C1 1	find, hallway, left, pocket, sill, search, upset	Personal Recount
Unit 1 Part 2	People/School Buddies	bite, classmate, cookie, playground, sack lunch	(A Person's Experience)
Unit 1 Part 3		bully, hours, park, person, scared	Sentence Identification, Subject, Predicate
Unit 1 Part 4		decided, noticed, took, toward, Wednesday	
Unit 2 Part 1	People/Memorable	award, beautiful, camp, excited, male, project, spend	Personal Recount
Unit 2 Part 2	Stories	amusement park, elected, parks, rides, roller coaster, wake up	(A Person's Experience)  Complement, Object, Direct
Unit 2 Part 3		asleep, babysitting, couch, crib, found	Object, Indirect Object
Unit 2 Part 4		bought, Mumbai, scary, vacation, water ride	
Unit 3 Part 1		control, device, engine, flyer, gliders, improve,	
Unit 3 Part 2	People/Things People Do	accident, breather, emergency, rescue, showed, vehicle	Factual Recount (Series of Facts)
Unit 3 Part 3		children, curator, history, important, item, museum	Adjective and Adverb Sentence Structure (1-5)
Unit 3 Part 4		brave, pulled, safely, soon, team	
Unit 4 Part 1	People/Successful	company, graduated, lawyer, manually, successful, talented	Factual Recount
Unit 4 Part 2	People	borrowed, business, college, connect, device	(Series of Facts)
Unit 4 Part 3		famous, finished, most, normal, taught	Adjective and Adverb Sentence Structure (1-5)
Unit 4 Part 4		industry, knew, mouse, paid, strange	
Unit 5 Part 1	Activities / Donular	clothing, equipment, lifestyle, lighter,	Information Poport
Unit 5 Part 2	Activities/Popular Sports	materials, wave, wetsuit beach, popular, sailing, surfboards, windsurfing	Information Report  Recognizing Sentences,
Unit 5 Part 3	-	competitors, difficult, keep, prize, triathlon	Joining Sentences
Unit 5 Part 4	-	built, move, reason, thought, windsurfer	
Unit 6 Part 1	Activities/Saving the World	floods, journey, migrate, polluted, protect, reptile, valuable	Information Report Joining Sentences, Types of Sentences

# **Writing Tutor 1B**

Unit / Part	Theme/Title	Vocabulary	Writing Form and Writing Focus
Unit 1 Part 1		damage, neighbors, pests, pick, ripe, soil, weeds	
Unit 1 Part 2	Activities/Interesting Hobbies	aquarium, hobby, raise, tropical, wrong	Explanation
Unit 1 Part 3		collecting, fishing, flat, rocks, treasure	Statement, Question, Command, Explanation
Unit 1 Part 4		companion, enjoy, expensive, kill, tank	
Unit 2 Part 1	Activities/Festivals	city center, gather, religious, spray, throw, tons, tradition	Explanation
Unit 2 Part 2	Around the World	army, battle, costume, show, spicy	Statement, Question,
Unit 2 Part 3		celebration, colorful, country, festivals, remember	Command, Explanation
Unit 2 Part 4		French, greater, held, popularity, victory	
Unit 3 Part 1		close, composition, curvy, filled, landscape, pointy	
Unit 3 Part 2	Arts & Crafts/Famous Works of Art	crescent, hill, minister, put up, swirl	Descriptive Writing
Unit 3 Part 3		beards, brilliant, feeling, group, instead	Combining Sentences
Unit 3 Part 4		background, front, hands, peaceful, sweeping	
Unit 4 Part 1	Arts & Crafts/Famous	concrete, connect, spectacular, tides, wires, withstands	Descriptive Writing
Unit 4 Part 2	Architecture	architecture, catch, height, higher, pyramid	Combining Sentences
Unit 4 Part 3		dazzling, jewel, palace, royal, temple	J
Unit 4 Part 4		attention, furthermore, perhaps, several, special	
Unit 5 Part 1	Arts & Crafts/How to	decorate, flat, label, petals, prepare, protects, scrapbook	Procedure
Unit 5 Part 2	Make Something	bird feeder, hang, pine cones, spread, string	Topic Sentence and
Unit 5 Part 3		airplane, below, follow, nose, pieces, wings	Support
Unit 5 Part 4		mix, pine cone, rolling, string, window	
Unit 6 Part 1	Arts & Crafts/How to	add, jar, mess, ready, scoop, slices, spread	Procedure
Unit 6 Part 2	Cook	blend, bowl, stir, syrup, throw away	Topic Sentence and
Unit 6 Part 3		bowl, cubes, minute, omelet, stove	Support

## **Suggested Lesson Plan**

### Writing Tutor 1A-1B

### **Before Opening the Books:**

- The teacher writes a previously covered grammar skill or language tip on the board and students take turns saying sentences using that skill.
- Students take turns over the course of a semester presenting their homework from the previous day.

### **Homework Check:**

- The teacher checks that homework has been completed.



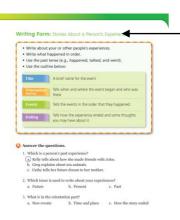
### Warm-Up:

- The teacher first asks students the warm-up questions with their books closed.
- The teacher encourages students to answer in full questions.
- The teacher also asks follow-up questions to the students



### **Key Words:**

- The teacher writes the words from the box on the board and walks around the room asking students for their own definitions of the words to ensure that they clearly understand the meaning.
- Students fill in the blanks.
- The teacher extends the activity by having students identify how the sentences are formed and then having them write their own sentences in such a way that if the sentences were put together they would be a paragraph with a clear beginning, middle, and end.



### **Writing Form:**

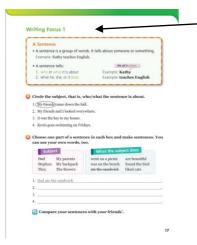
- Identifies the target paragraph form with examples
- Questions provide students with the opportunity to think critically about the content
- The sample paragraphs help students to clearly understand the goals of the unit in terms of writing.

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### **Model Passage:**

- The teacher introduces the model passage.
- The teacher selects students to read the model passage aloud.
- The teacher reviews any unknown vocabulary and then has students identify the key points in the passage.
- Students then work independently or in pairs to create comprehension questions that they ask to the class to check knowledge of the content and grammar tips.
- Students then fill in the chart to demonstrate their overall understanding of the passage.



### **Writing Focus 1:**

- The teacher guides students through the main language points and asks for examples to further check their understanding of the concepts.
- Following the introduction of each activity, the students complete the activities. The teacher reviews any needed corrections.
  - \*\*This page is also an ideal homework page.

### **Homework:**

- The teacher assigns homework from the book and/or independent sentence or paragraph writing. Homework at this level should cover all of the lesson components → grammar, language, and vocabulary. Students should present their own paragraphs regularly to reinforce speaking and presentation skills.

### Wrap-Up:

- The teacher verbally guizzes students on key lesson components.
- The teacher asks comprehension questions based on the reading passage.

## **Test Overview**

## **Writing Tutor Tests:**

Tests assess students' understanding of the material covered in the book.

- Mid-term tests should be assigned after students have completed units 1-3.
- Final tests should be assigned after students have completed units 4-6.
- The teacher assigns tests and walks around the room as the students are taking the tests to see how easy or difficult the students are finding it.
- If students are struggling with the test, the teacher should consider providing additional scoring options such as a speaking test or a separate written test.
- For individual students who are struggling extra homework can be assigned.
- The teacher should keep accurate records of students' results to pass to the next teacher.
- Answers for all test questions can be found at the end of each test.

## Writing Tutor 1A Test

### A. Put the correct word in the blank.

spend	valuable talented	-	earlier materials	loud silly	control
1. The teacher is in	of the cl	ass.			
2. My little brother is	always doing	things.			
3. This old painting is	very	_•			
4. Her keys aren't in m	ıy				
5. I ate breakfast	today.				
6. What do	o we need for thi	s project?			
7. The doctor is very _					
8. They all th	eir money on co	mic books.			
9. Jackie's car is really	·				
10. There are many	players o	on the team.			

### B. Write the word from the word bank next to its correct definition.

	wake up improve		hungry device	brave equipment	award leave	
11	: a prize or					
12	: not afraid	or frightened				
13	: to make s	omething better				
14	: to finish t	heir studies in hig	gh school or c	ollege		
15	: to stop sle	eeping; to become	e awake			
16	: an animal	with no fur that	is also cold bl	ooded like a sna	ke or a lizard	
17	: a machine	e or equipment th	at does a par	ticular thing		
18	: the tools a	and machines nee	eded to perfor	m a particular ta	ask	
19	: to go awa	y from a place; t	o put someth	ing in a place an	d forget to take it	with
20.	•	at you want to eat	t			

C. Unscram	ble	the	sentence.
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21. present / gave me / my / a birthday / parents

22. good / in English / her / got a / friend / grade

23. quickly / student / the / jumped up

24. boring / slowly / I / the / read / book

25. dinner / many plates / we / do / how / need / for

# D. Join the sentences using the correct joining words from the box. Some joining words are used more than once.

		but	or	SO	and	because
26. I'm hung	gry. There is no	thing to	eat.			
27. I go to school at 8. I go to soccer practice at 3.						
28. You studied hard. You got a good grade.						
29. Bobby got a dog. It was Bobby's birthday.						
30. Kim has	to finish her pı	oject. K	im wil	not be	e in troub	ile.

### E. Answer the questions.

- 31. Which option shows the right order for writing a story?
  - a. Publishing, revising, prewriting, proofreading, drafting
  - b. Prewriting, drafting, revising, proofreading, publishing
  - c. Proofreading, prewriting, drafting, publishing, revising
- 32. In what stage of the writing process do you check for grammar and spelling mistakes?
  - a. Proofreading
  - b. Drafting
  - c. Publishing
- 33. What is a noun?
  - a. An action word
  - b. A description word
  - c. A person, place, or thing
- 34. Which sentence is a fact?
  - a. The sky is blue.
  - b. It is very pretty.
  - c. I like the sky.
- 35. Which of the following options explains what you do in the drafting phase of writing?
  - a. Put your ideas on paper or on the computer.
  - b. Get your final story out and give it to the reader.
  - c. Check whether you have enough ideas, if the ideas are clear, and if they are in order.
- 36. Which sentence explains how the writer feels about art class?
  - a. I have art class at 9 a.m.
  - b. My class is in room 301.
  - c. Art class is the best class.

### F. Look at the picture and answer the questions.



37. How many children are in this picture? What are they doing?
38. Do you think their parent's like what they are doing? Why?
39. Will the children have to clean this up? Why?
40. What would you be doing if you were there?

# G. Put a check (v) if the sentence is correct. If the sentence is incorrect rewrite it and fix the mistake.

41. Jack brought lunch Kelly
42. Where is the game at
43. I'm really excited about the party tonight!
44. I was late so of the traffic
45. Firstly, take the cake out of the oven and you're done

### Writing Tutor 1A Test Answer Key

#### Exercise A

- 1. control
- 2. silly
- 3. valuable
- 4. pocket
- 5. earlier
- 6. materials
- 7. smart
- 8. spend
- 9. loud
- 10. talented

### Exercise B

- 11. award
- 12. brave
- 13. improve
- 14. graduate
- 15. wake up
- 16. reptile
- 17. device
- 18. equipment
- 19. leave
- 20. hungry

### **Exercise C**

- 21. My parents gave me a birthday present.
- 22. Her friend got a good grade in English.
- 23. The student jumped up quickly.
- 24. I slowly read the boring book.
- 25. How many plates do we need for dinner?

### Exercise D (Answers will vary)

- 26. I'm hungry but/because there is nothing to eat.
- 27. I go to school at 8 and I go to soccer practice at 3.
- 28. You studied hard, so you got a good grade.
- 29. Bobby got a dog because it was his birthday.
- 30. Kim has to finish her project or she will be in trouble.

### **Exercise E**

- 31. b
- 32. a
- 33. c
- 34. a 35. a
- 36. c

### Exercise F (Answers will vary)

- 37. There are four children in this picture. They are making a mess.
- 38. I do not think their parents will like what they are doing. They are painting on the walls!
- 39. Yes, they will have to clean up. The wall is covered in paint.
- 40. If I was there I would be painting on the wall, too.

### Exercise G (Answers will vary)

- 41. Jack brought Kelly lunch.
- 42. Where is the game at?
- 43. (v) No correction
- 44. I was late because of the traffic.
- 45. Lastly, take the cake out of the oven and you're done.

## Writing Tutor 1B Test

## A. Put the correct word in the blank.

filled soil spectacular sprayed tide						
religious curvy connected decorate scoops						
1. The concert last night was						
2. We can't swim right now because the is out.						
3. We the car with water before we washed it.						
4. He is very and goes to church often.						
5. The road over the mountain is very, so be careful!						
6. The Internet isn't working because the cable isn't to the computer.						
7. Barry the bathtub with water to give his dog a bath.						
8. The plants won't grow because the here is bad.						
9. I'm going to have two of ice cream.						
10. Come over at eight to help me the house for the party.						
B. Write the word from the word bank next to its correct definition.						
flat spread height stir army gather aquarium lazy spicy landscape						
11: how tall someone or something is						
12: not willing to work; spending a lot of time relaxing						
13: to mix or move something around with a stick or spoon						
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14: to cover the surface of something with a thin layer of something else  15: a plastic or glass container that holds fish and water  16: large number of soldiers who are trained to fight wars  17: smooth surfaces, no lumps, or slopes						

C. Unscramble the sentence.	
21. to school / I / the fire / saw / walking / was /	when I
22. tonight / where / going / are we / to dinner	<del></del>
23. cannot / come / school / they / over / after	<del></del>
24. the game / weren't you / last night / why /at	<del></del>
25. tired, / I / so / was / a nap / I took	<del></del>
D. Complete the sentence with the correct write your own phrases, too.	ending. Use phrases in the box. You can
so we decided to go out to eat	but it started raining
but it was really funny to see	or a tent for the camping trip
and then I car	n go play
26. Sam shouldn't have laughed when her friend to	ripped,
27. I need to finish my homework,	
28. She was going to go to the store,	
29. I burned the food I was cooking,	

30. They didn't bring rain coats \_\_\_\_\_

### E. Answer the questions.

- 31. Which topic is best for explaining how to do something?
  - a. The fastest man on Earth
  - b. The best way to bake a delicious cake
  - c. Four ingredients
- 32. Which sentence is an opinion?
  - a. There is no evidence of life on Mars.
  - b. I think aliens used to live on Mars.
  - c. Scientists are looking for life on Mars.
- 33. What kind of information should be included in a series of facts?
  - a. Dates, people, locations
  - b. Descriptions, preferences, dislikes
  - c. Opinions, beliefs, advice
- 34. Which sentence explains how the writer feels?
  - a. I have lived in the same town for fifteen years.
  - b. I am moving to a new town next month.
  - c. I'm not excited about moving.
- 35. What should a person look for while proofreading?
  - a. How many words are used
  - b. Grammar and punctuation mistakes
  - c. Opinions they disagree with
- 36. Which joining word is used to show what might happen?
  - a. If
  - b. When
  - c. Because

## F. Look at the picture and answer the questions.



37. Where are these children? What are they doing?	_
38. What is the weather like?	
39. Do you think the children are having fun? Why?	
40. If you were there, what would you be doing?	
G. Put a check (v) if the sentence is correct. If the sentence is incorr and fix the mistake.	ect rewrite it
41. We will find a new pet you	
42. What time are the Browns coming over for dinner tonight?	
43. When is the city of London on this map?	
44. In conclusion, I think this was a very good book	
45. I can't decide if I want to go see a movie but stay home	

### Writing Tutor 1B Final Test Answer Key

#### Exercise A

- 1. spectacular
- 2. tide
- 3. sprayed
- 4. religious
- 5. curvy
- 6. connected
- 7. filled
- 8. soil
- 9. scoops
- 10. decorate

#### Exercise B

- 11. height
- 12. lazy
- 13. stick
- 14. spread
- 15. aquarium
- 16. army
- 17. flat
- 18. landscape
- 19. gather
- 20. spicy

### **Exercise C**

- 21. I was walking to school when I saw the fire.
- 22. Where are we going to dinner tonight?
- 23. They cannot come over after school.
- 24. Why weren't you at the game last night?
- 25. I was tired, so I took a nap.

### **Exercise D** (Answers will vary.)

- 26. but it was really funny to see
- 27. and then I can go play
- 28. but it started raining
- 29. so we decided to go out to eat
- 30. or a tent for the camping trip

### **Exercise E**

- 31.b
- 32. b
- 33. a
- 34. c 35. b
- 36. a

### **Exercise F** (Answers will vary.)

- 37. These children are outside. They are playing on a skateboard.
- 38. The weather is nice and sunny.
- 39. Yes, I know the children are having fun because they are smiling.
- 40. If I was there, I would be riding the skate board and getting pushed.

### **Exercise G** (Answers will vary.)

- 41. We will find you a new pet.
- 42. (v) No correction
- 43. Where is the city of London on this map?
- 44. (v) No correction
- 45. I can't decide if I want to go see a movie or stay home.