

# ShillerMath Language Arts 5

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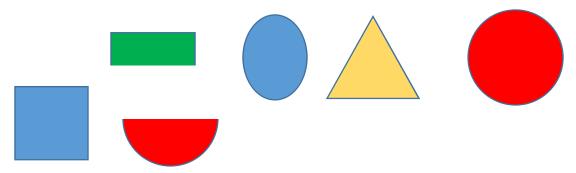
#### LESSON 2 INTRODUCTION TO THE CIRCLE KIT

Lesson Objective: Learn what the Circle Kit is and how to use it

Materials: Circle Kit (Circles and letter pad)

**Note:** Tape, markers, and scissors are not supplied but are required when using the Circle Kit.

- A. Bring the Circle Kit and the work mat to a work space.
- B. "This is the Circle Kit. Say with me: Circle Kit."
- C. "It's called a kit because it has a few things in it that are all there to help you learn words. Several things, when they serve a common goal, may be called a kit."
- D. "Can you think of other kits?" **Answer:** Knitting or sewing, shoe, first aid, emergency
- E. "In *semicircle*, *semi* comes before the word *circle*. It means *half*. Say with me: *semi*. Many words have semi: semi-final, semi-tractor, semiannual, semiformal, semiconductor."
- F. "You know what a circle is. And know you know that *semi* means half. Which one of these do you think is a semicircle?"



- G. "Let's see what's in our Circle Kit. It has [point] circles, [point] tape, [point] a marker, [point] scissors, and [point] a letter pad for you to write letters."
- H. "You will often use the Circle Kit as you learn and spell new words."
- I. "Let's try it!"
  - a. "You may draw the letter a on the letter pad." Any a, uppercase or lowercase, block or script, is acceptable.
  - b. "You may use the scissors to cut out the letter a."
  - c. "Using the tape, you may put the letter a onto the circle."
  - d. "Now you may put your circle anywhere you like on the top or side of the desk or table, or anywhere else"

Repeat this step with different letters until the student has competence and closure.

J. "Great job! you will be using the Circle Kit to learn many new words."

#### Lesson Objective: Learn the home position on a keyboard

- A. Find a keyboard. It could be attached to or part of a laptop, desktop, tablet or smart phone.
- B. "Today you will learn about touch typing. First let's go over how the fingers are named."



- C. Repeat the following sub-steps for each finger, starting with the thumb:
  - a. Point at the thumb. "This is a thumb. Can you show me your thumb on your left hand? That's called your left thumb. Your right hand? That's called your right thumb."
  - b. Point at the word for thumb below. "This is the word for *thumb*. It's spelled t-h-u-m-b."
  - c. Point at or hold up your right thumb. "What's this finger called?" **Answer:** thumb or right thumb
  - d. Point at or hold up your left thumb. "What's this finger called?" **Answer:** thumb or left thumb
- D. "For our typing, would you rather start with your right hand or left hand?"

#### If right hand:

- a. Hold up the index finger of your right hand. "This is the index finger of my right hand. You may show me the index finger of your right hand."
- b. "You may place that finger on top of the j key."
- c. "Put your fingers down so the middle finger is on the k key, the ring finger on the l key and the pinky to the key to the right of the l key."
- d. "This is the home position of your right hand on a keyboard."

#### If left-hand:

- a. Hold up the index finger of your left hand. "This is the index finger of my left hand. You may show me the index finger of your left hand."
- b. "You may place that finger on top of the f key."
- c. "Put your fingers down so the middle finger is on the d key, the ring finger on the s key and the pinky on the a key."
- d. "This is the home position of your left hand on a keyboard."
- E. Do the other hand so that you have completed both C and D above.
- F. "This is the home position on the keyboard. Say with me: home position."
- G. "Each of your fingers rests on a key. Before you start to type, this is always the starting position."
- H. "Clap three times."
- I. "Now put your hands back on the keyboard in the home position."
- J. Repeat steps H (varying the number of claps) and I until the student has competence and closure. If the student puts his or her hands in an incorrect position, repeat steps C and/or D as appropriate.

**Note:** At some point, the student will observe that the right pinky rests on the Semicolon key (";"). When this happens:

- a. Point at the Semicolon key. "This is the Semicolon key. We'll see later what that means and when you may use the Semicolon."
- b. "Can you show me the Semicolon key?"
- c. Point again at the Semicolon key. "What is this key called?"
- K. Point at one of the student's fingers. "Which letter is under this finger? You may peek if you like." Repeat this step until the student has competence and closure.

#### LESSON 10 PARTS OF SPEECH: VERB

Lesson Objective: Recognize a verb and how it is an action word Materials: Household objects [supplied by educator]

A. "You may name these objects." Answer: spoon, napkin, rose







B. "Can you match this word to an object?"

# spoon

C. "Can you match this word to an object?"

# napkin

D. "Can you match this word to an object?"

### rose

E. "This is the word walk:"

# walk

- F. "Can you match walk to any object above?" Answer: no
- G. "Does it make sense to say the spoon walks? You may try making sentences pairing walk to the other objects."
- H. "Walk is an action word; it is a verb. It is not an object."
- I. Repeat steps F through H for the following verbs until the student has competence and closure:

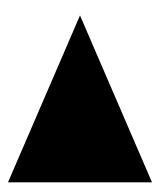
# hop sit eat chew

#### LESSON 14 PARTS OF SPEECH: NOUN GRAMMAR SYMBOL

Lesson Objective: Recognize and use the noun grammar symbol

Materials: Montessori Grammar Symbols

A. "This black triangle is the grammar symbol for a noun:"



- B. "As you learn each part of speech, you will also learn its grammar symbol."
- C. Point at the Montessori Grammar Symbols that come with the kit for this book. If the student has not yet cut them from the sheets, he or she may do so now. "Can you show me the grammar symbol for a noun?"
- D. Give the grammar symbol for a noun to the student and let the student inspect it. "What is this called?"
- E. "In the following sentences, you may place the grammar symbol for a noun above each word that is a noun:"

## I sat on a cat.

#### Lesson Objective: Expose students to other languages and sharpen their ears

- A. "English is not the only language in the world. People speak thousands of other languages! Do you know the name of another language besides English?" If the student does not know, "That's OK, we will learn one know."
- B. "Koh-mo tay Vah. That means how are you in Spanish. Say with me: Koh-mo tay Vah. This is how it is written in Spanish:"

# ¿cómo te va?

- C. "Is this a question? How do you know?"
- D. Point at the upside-down question mark. In English, you know it's a question because there's a question mark at the end of the sentence. In Spanish, questions also begin with an upside-down question mark. That's actually helpful because the reader knows immediately that it's a question and not only after reading the whole sentence."
- E. Point at the word cómo. "What do you see that's different in this word?"
- F. Point at the accent over the first  $\acute{o}$  in  $\acute{c}\acute{o}$ mo. "This mark is called an *accent*. Say with me: *accent*. English has no accents. In other languages accents may mean different things. In Spanish, accents do two things: Sometimes it can change the way a word is pronounced. However, in this case, the accent tells you that the word is different from the one without the accent: Como without the accent is pronounced the same but means to eat."
- G. "This is the Spanish alphabet:"

## abcdefghijklmn $\tilde{n}$ opqrstuvwxyz

- H. "What is different between the Spanish alphabet and the English alphabet?"
- I. "The Spanish alphabet has all 26 letters of the English alphabet plus a new letter, called *eñe* (pronounced *EN-yay*). Say with me: *EN-yay*. Can you show me the *eñe* above?"
- J. Point at the ene above. "What is this letter called?"
- K. "The word mañana means tomorrow. Say with me: mañana."

# ma $ilde{n}$ ana

L. "You just spoke some Spanish!"

#### Lesson Objective: Learn common sounds; build vocabulary

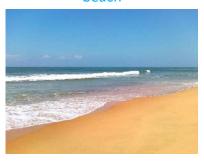
A. "This map shows the English Channel. Say with me: English Channel."





- B. "The English Channel is a body of water between the Atlantic Ocean to the west [point to the lower left] and the North Sea to the east [point to the upper right]. To the north [point to the top] is England and to the south [point to the bottom] is France."
- C. "A channel joins two large bodies of water. Which two large bodies of water does the English Channel join?" If the student does not know or answers incorrectly, repeat steps A and B.
- D. "The word channel begins with which sound? Say with me: ch ch ch."
- E. "What is this a picture of?"

beach



- F. "What sound does beach end with?"
- G. "Can you point to or find pictures of other things that have a ch sound?"
- H. "When put together, the letters *c* and *h* can make the *ch* sound. You may circle those letters here:"

# a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

I. Using this or any other book. "Can you show me some words that have the *ch* sound spelled with the letters *ch*?"

#### Lesson Objective: Learn how suspense helps makes a good story

A. "Let's read this paragraph together:"

Sam and his father went to the grocery store for milk. "Don't get any other food or drink," Mom warned before they left.

- B. "Do you have any questions about what's happening?"
- C. "Right! We don't know why the mom didn't want them to get any other food or drink. If you're listening to this story, you'll probably want to hear more to find out. That's because the writer *left a hole*; the writer created suspense. Say with me: *suspense*. Suspense is when there is excitement or anxiety about what has happened or may happen."
- D. "When you tell a story, do you want people to listen to every word? Or would you prefer that they listen to music or talk among themselves while you are speaking?"
- E. "Of course, you are speaking for a reason and you want them to listen. Here is a little trick that will keep people interested during all of your talk: Right in or near the beginning of your talk, leave a little hole in your story."
- F. "It's easy to leave a hole. Here's how:"
- G. Say something that doesn't have a reason
- H. But be sure it is connected somehow to the story
- I. "Let's read this paragraph together:"

Sam and his father went to the grocery store for milk. "Don't get any other food or drink," Mom said before they left.

- J. "What was different?"
- K. "Yes! This time, Mom said. Before Mom warned. Which do you think is better and why?"
- L. "Warned gives a heads up. It tips off the audience that they are about to learn something interesting, but what exactly is not known. Does leaving such a hole create suspense?"
- M. "If you were listening to this story, would you want to know why the mom didn't want Sam and his father not to get any other food or drink?"
- N. "If you are telling the story, do you think it's important to answer that question?"
- O. "Can you end the suspense? That is, can you think of a reason the mom warned Sam and his father?" Possible answers: Maybe they're: going on a surprise trip or maybe they're going out to dinner and the milk is for the cat.

#### LESSON 89 BOOK REPORT

Lesson Objective: Prepare a book report McGuffey's Eclectic Primer; Book 5 Book Report Materials: A. Turn to Lesson XLVII in McGuffey's Eclectic Primer. "Today you will write a simple book report on Lesson XLVII." B. Help the student fill in each blank on the Book 5 Book Report: Book Title \_\_\_\_\_ Author \_\_\_\_\_ # of pages \_\_\_\_\_ Fiction or nonfiction? \_\_\_\_\_ Story summary (1 sentence) Who was in the story (characters)? My favorite part of the story was when Whom do you think would enjoy this book and why?

My Rating (circle one): Great Good Fair Poor

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