

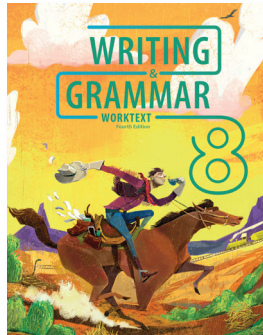
Writing & Grammar 8

COMPARISON CHART

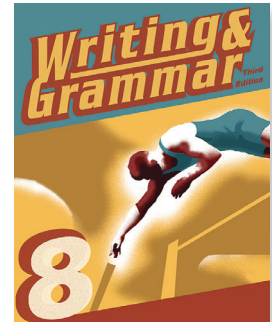
NEW

Updates

This edition includes substantial changes and follows many of the program updates in Writing & Grammar 7. Design elements and content organization have been updated to give the course a middle-school look and feel. Some changes have been made to better match customer expectations and state standards. The parts and pieces of this edition are not compatible with components from the previous edition.



4th Edition

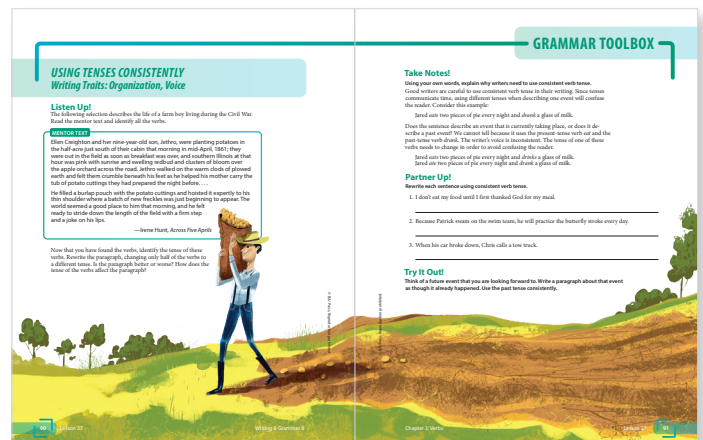


3rd Edition

Content Updates

- Three new chapters have been added to address national and state standards for narrative, informative, and argumentative writing.
- A research chapter was added to address standards for research.
- A new final chapter was added to give students a larger, collaborative writing project that mimics real-world work.
- The following chapters have been removed: "Prepositions, Conjunctions, and Interjections"; "Using Adjectives and Adverbs Correctly"; "Using Troublesome Words Correctly"; "Spelling"; "Library Skills"; and "Study Skills."
- The following topics have been added: instruction of verb mood; conjunctive adverbs; adverbial clauses and relative pronouns; appositives; compound-complex sentences; ambiguous, remote, and vague pronoun references; and dashes and ellipses.
- Spelling and study-skills content was moved to a handbook at the end of the student workbook.
- Discussion of library skills was moved to the new research chapter.
- Grammatical concepts from deleted chapters were added to other grammar chapters.
- A teaching cycle was added to the teacher edition.
- Writing instruction emphasizes the six traits of writing and the use of peer reviews to revise rough drafts.
- Chapter reviews have been incorporated into each chapter.
- Art has been significantly updated to be more engaging.
- Page count has been increased from 488 to 552.

Textbook Snapshot



New Features

- A Punctuation PowerUp feature was added to pair the teaching of punctuation rules with grammatical instruction.
- Writing Toolboxes were added to offer additional practice writing specific types of paragraphs, a poem, and a business letter.
- Grammar Toolboxes were added to offer direct application of grammar to writing.
- Mentor texts were added for deductive study of grammatical elements.
- More strategies for writing instruction were added throughout the teacher edition.