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Language Arts, Grade 6 (Spectrum)
Synopsis

Test with success using Spectrum Language Arts for grade 6! The four-part lessons encourage creativity and strengthen writers by focusing on gerunds, colons and semicolons, and double negatives. The book features easy-to-understand directions and includes an answer key, a writer’s handbook, and helpful writing tips. Today, more than ever, students need to be equipped with the skills required for school achievement and success on proficiency tests. This 184-page book aligns with state and national standards, is perfect for use at home or in school, and is favored by parents, homeschoolers, and teachers.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

We purchased several workbooks in this series to supplement a homeschool program for a very driven, focused sixth grader. The lessons contain many inaccuracies, missing information, poor logic and more. Very disappointed and surprised at the level of instructional quality. Parents should carefully read these books and complete the exercises themselves. The blatant errors are appalling.

Spectrum Language Arts is very traditional, in that it teaches the parts of speech, diagramming sentences, etc. I was only looking to use the grammar and punctuation section to help my
soon-to-be 5th grader over the summer. I choose this book, which is one grade up, because the grammar section seemed stronger than the 5th grade version. The book has clear, easy-to-follow instructions, causes children to actually “write” complete answers. The book mixes up the learning format enough that kids will not get bored with the workbook. One day you’re circling, one day you’re editing text, another day you’re writing sentences, one day you’re matching terms to examples…. It’s got a very engaging style, and the full color pages help the books look fresh. I also bought the Spectrum Writing for 5th grade and was THRILLED. Both books are written in such a way that a self-directed student can easily follow and learn from them. There is enough information in both to be used as a full homeschool Language curriculum, imo.

Recently I bought several of Spectrum Math, Language Art, and Writing books for my son, so I will write one review and post it for all of them. My son has ADHD and had a very hard time in school. I decided to homeschool him for one year so that he can get a better foundation and then go back to public school. I bought these books with the suggestion of an experienced homeschool mom. They have been great! I am very pleased with how organized and easy to follow these books are. I pretty much let my son read the instructions and answer the questions himself. He is learning how to learn and his self-confidence is going up. Of course I am there to help him if he needs help, but the books are so well written and organized that he rarely has a question about the instructions or solving the problems in the book. I highly recommend these books for kids that dislike learning, have learning disability, or like my son have ADD or ADHD. Also, I bought couple of books (level 1 and level 2) titled “Building Thinking Skills” author Sandra Parks and Howard Black. These books are great tools for my son to help him to learn how to think logically to solve problem. I highly recommend them.

I homeschool my daughter, and I purchased this to fill in any gaps in her English curriculum. She is an advanced reader, but I purposely bought the 6th grade book while she was in 5th because of that. If your child is a good reader, with a fair or better grasp of vocabulary and grammar, this book will likely be too easy for them. Yes, there were definitely things she learned from it, but overall it was on a very rudimentary level. The examples, sentences, and introduced vocabulary were incredibly basic - I’d say maybe late 3rd grade to 4th grade, that we ended up skipping probably more than half the book to work on what she wasn’t already familiar with.

These colorful exercises helped my students come to a better understanding of gerunds, colons, semicolons, and double negatives. It contains an answer key. I will purchase other resources from
I'm actually liking this book more than Spectrum’s Vocabulary workbook...don't get me wrong. The Vocabulary is also a good workbook...but if you want MORE of say, what a pronoun is...than this is your book! The chapters are as follows: Speech, Sentences, Capitalization, Punctuation, Usage, and Writer's guide. And yes...like all of the Spectrum books I've ordered...they all provide an answer key also, in the back. Each lesson explains what you'll learn and then will provide you with a lesson based on what you read. It's that simple. For me, it's been perfect for my daughter at her age and grade level. I highly recommend it!! :) 

If your student did the previous year and didn't have any issues, use this as a review. If they had problems, this will give them a chance to "do it again".

I have found that this is a great resource for my stepson. The lessons are broken down to manageable "bites" so as not to overwhelm with narratives that help both me and him in working on / reviewing the work. Plus, he actually seems to enjoy the challenge each lesson presents to him. A good supplement, especially if you are prepping your child for the next grade.

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