

Houghton Mifflin Sixth Grade Writing

<p>Theme 1 <u>Courage</u></p> <p>Personal Narrative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voice • Sentence fluency <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing instructions Sequence words 2. Writing a memo Capitalization and Punctuation 3. Writing a friendly letter Voice 4. Writing an opinion paragraph Combining sentences <p>Poetry</p> <p>Write a poem</p> <p>Sensory language</p>	<p>Theme 2 <u>What Really Happened?</u></p> <p>Story</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas • Word choice <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing a news article Adding details 2. Writing a journal entry Using exact verbs 3. Writing a business letter Using the right tone <p>Plays</p> <p>Write a play</p> <p>Exact verbs</p>
<p>Theme 3 <u>Growing Up</u></p> <p>Description</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Word choice • Organization <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing a problem-solution composition Organization 2. Writing a response to a prompt Sentence fragments/run-on sentences 3. Writing a character sketch Using exact nouns and verbs 4. Writing a speech Audience 	<p>Theme 4 <u>Discovering Ancient Cultures</u></p> <p>Research Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organization • Conventions and presentation <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing an explanation Eliminating unnecessary words 2. Writing a paragraph of information Elaborating with adjectives 3. Writing a comparison-contrast paragraph Combining sentences 4. Writing a myth Using dialogue <p>Myths</p>
<p>Theme 5 <u>Doers and Dreamers</u></p> <p>Personal Essay</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voice • Sentence Fluency <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing a clarification composition Being precise 2. Writing a how-to paragraph Pronouns 3. Writing a summary Paraphrasing 4. Writing a speech Word connotations <p>Speeches</p>	<p>Theme 6 <u>New Frontiers: Oceans and Space</u></p> <p>Persuasive essay</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ideas • Conventions and presentation <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Writing an announcement Ordering important information 2. Writing a biography Combining sentences 3. Writing a comparison/contrast essay Sentence combining 4. Writing an answer to an essay question Keeping to the point