

# Grade Five Writing Skills

## Capitalization & Punctuation

- ❖ Sentences begin with a capital letter.
- ❖ *I*, proper nouns, and proper adjectives begin with a capital letter.
- ❖ Abbreviations and titles begin with a capital letter.
- ❖ Salutations and closings have capital letters and commas.
- ❖ Titles of works are capitalized and punctuated correctly.
- ❖ Sentences end with a period, question mark, or exclamation mark.
- ❖ A comma is used in a date, series, and between a city and state.
- ❖ Apostrophes are used in contractions.

## Grammar

- ❖ Subject and verb agree.
- ❖ Adjectives are used.
- ❖ Present, past, and future tense verbs are used correctly.
- ❖ Pronouns and articles are used correctly.

## Sentence & Paragraph Structure

- ❖ Complete sentences are used.
- ❖ Writing is on topic.
- ❖ Paragraphs are indented.

## Spelling

- ❖ Grade level words are spelled correctly.
- ❖ Words are copied correctly.
- ❖ Words with suffixes are spelled correctly.