

6th Grade

IXL Sixth language arts

Here is a list of language arts skills students learn in sixth grade! These skills are organized into categories. To start practicing, log into your IXL account. IXL will track your score, and the questions will automatically increase in difficulty as you improve!

Reading strategies

Main idea

1. **A.1** Determine the main idea

Theme

1. **B.1** Match the quotations with their themes
2. **B.2** Determine the themes of short stories

Author's purpose and tone

1. **C.1** Which sentence is more formal?
2. **C.2** Compare passages for tone
3. **C.3** Identify author's purpose

Writing strategies

Organizing writing

1. **J.1** Order topics from broadest to narrowest
2. **J.2** Organize information by main idea
3. **J.3** Transitions with conjunctive adverbs

Developing and supporting arguments

1. **K.1** Distinguish facts from opinions
2. **K.2** Choose evidence to support a claim
3. **K.3** Identify supporting details in informational texts
4. **K.4** Identify supporting details in literary texts
5. **K.5** Classify logical fallacies

Sentences, fragments, and run-ons

1. **X.1** Is the sentence declarative, interrogative, imperative, or exclamatory?
2. **X.2** Identify the complete subject or complete predicate of a sentence
3. **X.3** Identify the simple subject or simple predicate of a sentence
4. **X.4** Identify the compound subject or compound predicate of a sentence
5. **X.5** Is it a complete sentence or a fragment?
6. **X.6** Is it a complete sentence or a run-on?
7. **X.7** Is it a complete sentence, a fragment, or a run-on?
8. **X.8** Identify dependent and independent clauses
9. **X.9** Is the sentence simple, compound, or complex?

Nouns

1. **Y.1** Identify common and proper nouns

2. **Y.2** Form plurals of nouns ending in f, fe, o, and y
3. **Y.3** Form and use plurals of nouns ending in f, fe, o, and y
4. **Y.4** Form plurals: review
5. **Y.5** Form and use plurals: review
6. **Y.6** Identify plurals, singular possessives, and plural possessives
7. **Y.7** Form the singular or plural possessive
8. **Y.8** Identify and correct errors with plural and possessive nouns

Pronouns and antecedents

1. **Z.1** Identify pronouns and their antecedents
2. **Z.2** Use the pronoun that agrees with the antecedent
3. **Z.3** Identify vague pronoun references
4. **Z.4** Identify all of the possible antecedents
5. **Z.5** Correct inappropriate shifts in pronoun number and person

Pronoun types

1. **AA.1** Choose between subject and object pronouns
2. **AA.2** Compound subjects and objects with "I" and "me"
3. **AA.3** Compound subjects and objects with pronouns
4. **AA.4** Use possessive pronouns
5. **AA.5** Choose between personal and reflexive pronouns
6. **AA.6** Use reflexive pronouns
7. **AA.7** Is the pronoun reflexive or intensive?
8. **AA.8** Identify relative pronouns
9. **AA.9** Use relative pronouns: who and whom
10. **AA.10** Use relative pronouns: who, whom, whose, which, and that

Verb types

1. **BB.1** Identify main verbs and helping verbs
2. **BB.2** Identify transitive and intransitive verbs
3. **BB.3** Identify linking verbs, predicate adjectives, and predicate nouns
4. **BB.4** What does the modal verb show?
5. **BB.5** Use the correct modal verb

Subject-verb agreement

1. **CC.1** Use the correct subject or verb
2. **CC.2** Use the correct verb – with compound subjects

Verb tense

1. **DD.1** Irregular past tense: review
2. **DD.2** Simple past, present, and future tense: review
3. **DD.3** Correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense
4. **DD.4** Use the progressive verb tenses
5. **DD.5** Form the progressive verb tenses
6. **DD.6** Choose between the past tense and past participle
7. **DD.7** Use the perfect verb tenses
8. **DD.8** Form the perfect verb tenses

IXL Math

The students are to use IXL, an on-line program where the students can practice math concepts over the summer. I am asking that students practice an hour a week or at least ten hours over the summer months. Students can practice what they need, but knowing how to add, subtract, multiply, and divide whole numbers, fractions, mixed numbers and decimals (and integers for students entering 7th and 8th grade) will be helpful in ensuring success. Thank you for your help and support in making our summer reading and math programs successful.