

Kitehawk Learning Spelling Program - Dictation

Unit 4-01

(Language connection: commas in series, punctuation / capitalisation of sentences, contractions)

1. We study social studies, maths, language and science in fourth grade.
2. It is hot in Alice Springs in spring and summer and cooler in autumn and winter.
3. In primary school we had to sit up straight when writing our dictation sentences.
4. I can't believe you could leave the sharp scissors with the child.

Unit 4-02

(Language connection: commas in series, contractions, interrogative sentence)

1. My parents and I will talk about maths during dinner tonight.
2. We decided that it was easy to do addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
3. Who wouldn't be able to subtract thirty-three from seventy?
4. Can you draw a circle inside a square and then draw a triangle inside the circle?

Unit 4-03

(Language connection: commas in series, contractions, kinds of sentences: interrogative sentence - used to ask questions, declarative sentences - used to form statements, imperative sentences - used for commands)

1. The workers made a lot of noise as they hammered, banged and knocked on the walls of the new house.
2. When you're tired, do you refuse to answer the telephone late at night?
3. The thieves cheated the miner and seized the gold, but he refused to reveal where he had discovered the gold.
4. Try not to giggle and cough when you read this funny paragraph.

Unit 4-04

(Language connection: punctuation, capitalisation of dialogue)

1. The teacher explained that the general rules of spelling and grammar were not always logical.
2. The judge said, 'The students quizzed each other, one asked the questions and the other suggested the answer.'
3. Someone moaned, 'I'm caught.' So I crept to the window and could hear strange whispers outside.

Unit 4-05

(Language connection: commas in complex sentences, direct speech punctuation)

1. It was a special day, I caught the bus to the town in the valley and at twilight the people were coming out on the streets in their different costumes.
2. He muttered, 'I brought enough money with me to stay the night because I thought I would probably never visit again.'