Kitehawk Learning Spelling Program

Dictation

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Choose sentences from the following or create your own sentences.

There are language elements included in each dictation. Students need to be familiar with these elements before testing.

All words in the dictation are from, or derived from previous lists.

Unit 4-07

[Language connection: Letter format - indentation optional]

Dear Linda.

The kids in my class always thought that <u>fresh celery</u> was boring until last Thursday when a <u>famous</u> cook visited us. He told us about an <u>exciting</u> contest to create a <u>tasty</u> dish using celery. We had a <u>lively</u> time trying to come up with a winner.

Yours sincerely,

Jill

Unit 4-08

[Language connection: Friendly letter format, interrogative sentence - question mark.]

Dear Editor.

It was a <u>delightful</u> experience to see the <u>peculiar</u> <u>butterflies</u> flying around with their <u>radiant</u> wings and <u>delicate scrawny</u> bodies. Have you heard the <u>extremely</u> unlikely <u>rumour</u> that some people believe they came from a remote place in the <u>universe</u>?

Yours truly, Jill

Unit 4-09

[Language connection: punctuation, questions, complex sentences.]

- The tourists waited patiently for the turtles to arrive and watched them quietly and carefully crawl up the beach and quickly lay their eggs.
- 2. The white dog <u>carefully</u> and <u>cautiously</u> crossed the busy street <u>safely</u> while the mother dog watched.
- 3. Do children usually eat strawberries with knives and forks or spoons?

Unit 4-10

[Language connection: introductory phrase followed by a comma - punctuation of complex sentences.]

- 1. Before dinner, he was so <u>relaxed</u> that he began to <u>doze</u> in his comfortable chair.
- 2. Because she was alone on the mountain, the lost girl <u>trembled</u> with fear and shivered with cold.
- 3. She <u>adored</u> her stuffed animals and declared that she would <u>cherish</u> them forever.

Unit 4-11

[Language connection: friendly letter format, dialogue, homophones, contractions.]

Dear Aunt Sue,

As mother and I <u>passed through</u> your area, we <u>threw</u> the softball <u>past</u> Uncle Joe. He blurted out <u>aloud</u>, 'You're not <u>allowed</u> to do your <u>practice</u> on our beaches.' How silly that seems to me! We can't get any peace at all. I'll <u>continue</u> this <u>piece</u> of writing later.

Jill