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Introduction

Welcome to *Structure and Style** *for Students*, taught by Andrew Pudewa. His humor and step-by-step clarity have yielded amazing results with thousands of formerly reluctant writers. We hope you will have an enjoyable year as you learn to write with Structure and Style!

Assembling Your Binder

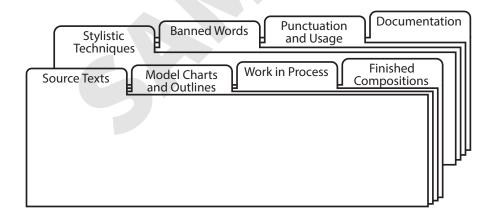
Your *Structure and Style for Students* curriculum features a paper organization system that you will use to manage your coursework and compositions in every stage of the writing process.

To prepare for your first class, take the first eight pages from this packet and place them at the front of your binder—before the Source Texts tab. Each week, you will add the weekly Overview pages to this front section; therefore, place Week 1 Overview, page 9, on top of the pages that you just moved. When you begin Week 2, place Week 2 Overview on top of Week 1 Overview.

The remaining sheets from this student packet should be placed in the back of the binder behind the Documentation tab. You will be instructed each week by either your teacher or Mr. Pudewa where to put these additional pages.

Supplies

Every *Structure and Style for Students* box comes with a Teacher's Manual, this student packet, videos containing twenty-four teaching episodes with Andrew Pudewa, and a Student Binder with eight tabs:



Fix It!® Grammar

To provide an effective and delightful method of applying grammar rules to writing, consider using Fix It! Grammar in addition to this course.

Vocabulary

Vocabulary words are included in the lessons. Mr. Pudewa defines words on a weekly basis.

Beyond this, you only need a pen and several sheets of notebook paper for each week's assignment.

Scope and Sequence

Week	Subject and Structure	Style	Literature Suggestions
Unit 1	The Blue-Ringed Octopus Carnivorous Plants		
Unit 2	Disgusting or a Delicacy? the title rule	-ly adverb	The Twenty-One Balloons
3	The Eagle and the Jackdaw Komodo Dragon	who/which clause	by William Pène du Bois
Unit 3	The Miller, His Son, and Their Donkey		
5	Odysseus and the Cyclops	strong verb banned words: say/said, see/saw	
6	The Hart in the Ox-Stall	banned words: think/thought	The Children's Homer: The Adventures of Odysseus and the Tale of Troy
Unit 4	Dangerous Birds topic-clincher sentences	because clause banned words: eat/ate	by Padraic Colum
8	Mike the Headless Chicken	banned words: go/went	
9	Captain Cook		
Unit 5 10	Drone	quality adjective banned words: good, bad	Ballet Shoes by Noel Streatfeild
11	Bora Bora or Dog and Table		or Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
12	Bike or Ballerina	www.asia clause	

Week	Subject and Structure	Style	Literature Suggestions
Unit 6 13	Coconut Crabs source and fused outlines		
14	Troglobites	#2 prepositional opener	Swiss Family Robinson by Johann David Wyss Optionally, watch the Walt Disney Movie.
15	Amelia Earhart		
16	A Historical Person of Choice additional sources required		
Unit 7 17	A Subject of Your Choice	#3 -ly adverb opener	
18	A Place of Your Choice introduction and conclusion		<i>The Hobbit</i> by J.R.R. Tolkien
19	Writing a Letter		
Unit 8 20	Plastic		
21	Oceania additional sources required	#6 vss opener	
Unit 9 22	Rikki-Tikki-Tavi		Just So Stories
23	Casey at the Bat	#5 clausal opener www.asia.b clause	by Rudyard Kipling
24	Limericks and Clerihews Timed Essay		



OVERVIEW

Week 1: The Blue-Ringed Octopus Carnivorous Plants

Structure and Style for Students Video 1 Part 1: 00:00-41:08 Part 2: 41:09-01:15:36

Goals

- to learn the Unit 1 Note Making and Outlines structural model
- to write a key word outline (KWO)
- to retell the content of a source text using just your outline
- to learn new vocabulary: absorbable, camouflage, deficient, enzyme, mucilage, neurotoxic, nitrogen

Suggested Daily Breakdown

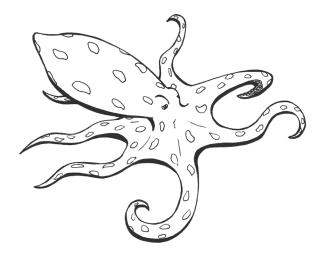
	Watch Part 1 of Video 1.
	On a fresh sheet of paper, take fifteen minutes to write anything about your home.
DAY 1	Hand in your paper to your teacher. You will refer to this essay again in Week 24.
DA	Read and discuss "The Blue-Ringed Octopus."
	Write a key word outline (KWO) for the first paragraph with the class.
	Optional: Complete Day 1 in Fix It! Grammar Week 1.
	Watch Part 2 of Video 1 starting at 41:09.
7	Write a KWO for the second paragraph of "The Blue-Ringed Octopus" with the class.
DAY	Test your KWO by retelling it to a partner. Remember to speak in complete sentences.
	Write a KWO for the first paragraph of "Carnivorous Plants" with the class.
	Optional: Complete Day 2 in Fix It! Grammar Week 1.
	Finish your KWO for "Carnivorous Plants."
7.3	Test your KWO by retelling it to a partner.
DAY	Remember to speak in complete sentences.
	Optional: Complete Day 3 in Fix It! Grammar Week 1.
	Retell "The Blue-Ringed Octopus" from your KWO to a relative or friend for additional practice.
DAYS 4 AND 5	Remember to speak in complete sentences.
	 Retell "Carnivorous Plants" from your KWO to a relative or friend for additional practice. Remember to speak in complete sentences.
	Optional: Complete Day 4 in Fix It! Grammar Week 1.



The Blue-Ringed Octopus

Like others of its order, the blue-ringed octopus has eight arms, two eyes, and a beak-like mouth that can cut through a wetsuit. It feeds on shrimp, crabs, and small fish. It is comparable in size to a golf ball, and each arm measures about two inches from tip to body. The blue-ringed octopus can be found on the sandy ocean bottoms and in the coral reefs of Australia, New Guinea, Indonesia, the Philippines, and Japan. It is hard to spot as it uses camouflage for self-defense. To say "stay away," it changes color from brown to bright yellow with blue rings. Its beautiful, unusual coloring makes it a "must-find" creature for many underwater photographers.

While all octopuses are venomous, only the blue-ringed octopus is deadly to humans. At first, a bite might seem painless. But the powerful neurotoxic venom quickly causes numbness of the lips and tongue. This is followed by difficulty in breathing caused by paralysis and then a shutdown of the senses. Death can occur in minutes, and there is no known antidote. One small blue-ringed octopus carries enough venom to kill twenty-six adult humans in minutes.





Carnivorous Plants

Although most Americans are familiar with the Venus flytrap, there are about 583 species of carnivorous plants that attract, trap, and kill prey. They tend to grow in nitrogen-deficient environments and must get their nutrients from decaying animal life. There are five common types of traps used by these plants. Flypaper traps use a sticky mucilage, while snap traps use rapid leaf movements. Bladder traps create a vacuum to suck in their prey. Lobster traps have small inward-pointing hairs that force prey toward a digestive organ. Lastly, pitfall traps, used by pitcher plants, trap prey in a rolled leaf.

The various species of tropical pitcher plant found in New Guinea are some of the world's largest. To survive in poor soil, these peculiar plants entice insects and other small animals into their gaping mouths with sweet-smelling nectar and eye-catching colors.

A series of sticky, downward ribs makes it nearly impossible for trapped prey to escape. Once trapped, acid-like digestive enzymes break down the still-living creature into absorbable nutrients. While most pitcher plants catch mainly insects, the larger ones, such as

Nepenthes rajah, can also trap and feed on frogs, lizards, mice, and even birds.



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Note Making and Outlines

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3 words max!

Read.
Think.
Look up.
Speak.





Week 2: Disgusting or a Delicacy?

Structure and Style for Students Video 2 Part 1: 00:00-42:30 Part 2: 42:31-01:09:31

Goals

- to learn the Unit 2 Writing from Notes structural model
- to practice the Units 1 and 2 structural models
- to write a key word outline (KWO)
- to write a summary from your KWO
- to create a title
- to add a dress-up: -ly adverb
- to be introduced to the composition checklist
- to learn new vocabulary: compensate, editor, larva, style

Suggested Daily Breakdown

	Watch Part 1 of Video 2.
	Read and discuss "Disgusting or a Delicacy?"
-	Write a key word outline (KWO) with the class.
DAY	Test your KWO by retelling it to a partner. Remember to speak in complete sentences.
	Learn the -ly adverb dress-up and write a list of -ly adverbs to use for your summary.
	Notice -ly adverbs in books that you read and write a few on a separate sheet of paper.
	Optional: Complete Day 1 in Fix It! Grammar Week 2.
	Watch Part 2 of Video 2 starting at 42:31.
7	Learn how to use the checklist.
DAY	Learn how to format your paper.
	Learn how to create a title.
	Optional: Complete Day 2 in Fix It! Grammar Week 2.
	Using your KWO, not the source text, write your summary about "Disgusting or a Delicacy?"
	Include and mark (underline) one -ly adverb in your paragraph.
√ 3	Create a title following the title rule.
DAY	Follow the directions on the checklist and check off each item as you complete it.
	Hire an editor and ask him or her to check your rough draft.
	Optional: Complete Day 3 in Fix It! Grammar Week 2.
	Write your final draft making any changes that your editor suggested.
YS 4	Staple the checklist, final draft, rough draft, and KWO together. Hand them in.
DAYS	Optional: Complete Day 4 in Fix It! Grammar Week 2.



Disgusting or a Delicacy?

Most of us stick to common foods like chicken or beef, cheese, vegetables, and fruits. Raw fish, Japanese style, is now available in malls and airports of North America. In some countries, however, you may find even more unusual items prepared as food. A Cambodian specialty is tarantula fried in garlic oil. A food seller in China may offer grilled black scorpion on a stick. A South Korean delicacy is raw octopus—so fresh that its arms are still squirming on the plate. *Escamoles* are fried ant larvae, a rare Mexican dish with a nutty flavor. You can even buy chocolate-covered silkworms from Thailand! So don't complain next time you are served eggplant or even sashimi—it's nothing compared to fried dung beetle or grilled seahorse.



Stylistic Techniques

Dress-Ups	
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Indicator:	
Minimum Rule:	
Sentence Openers 1	4. 5. 6.
Decorations	
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	5
3	6
Indicator:	
Minimum Rule:	
	1



1

Note Making and Outlines

Name Date
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3 words max!

Read.
Think.
Look up.
Speak.



2

Writing from Notes

	Name Date
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Double space!

Title repeats one to three key words from final sentence.



Unit 2 Composition Checklist

Week 2: Disgusting or a Delicacy?

Writing from Notes

Name: Institute for Excellence in Writing Uses Speak Blook Will Thirds Uses Speak Blook Will Thirds
STRUCTURE
name and date in upper left-hand corner
□ composition double-spaced
☐ title centered and repeats 1–3 key words from final sentence
☐ checklist on top, final draft, rough draft, key word outline
STYLE
¶1 Dress-Ups (underline one of each)
□ -ly adverb
MECHANICS (-1 pt per error)
□ capitalization
☐ end marks and punctuation
□ complete sentences (Does it make sense?)
□ correct spelling



Week 3: The Eagle and the Jackdaw Komodo Dragon

Structure and Style for Students Video 3 Part 1: 00:00-31:42 Part 2: 31:43-01:00:00

Goals

- to practice the Units 1 and 2 structural models
- · to write two KWOs
- to retell the contents of a source text using just your outline
- to write a summary from your KWO
- to add a dress-up: who/which clause
- to learn new vocabulary: emulate, entangled, envy, jackdaw, lofty, prowess, ram, stir, talon

Suggested Daily Breakdown

DAY 1	 Watch Part 1 of Video 3. Read and discuss "The Eagle and the Jackdaw." Begin writing a KWO with the class and complete it independently. Test your KWO by retelling it to a partner. Remember to speak in complete sentences. Read and discuss "Komodo Dragon." Optional: Complete Day 1 in Fix It! Grammar Week 3.
DAY 2	 Watch Part 2 of Video 3 starting at 31:43. Review your list of -ly adverbs from Week 2 and add more to fit with "The Eagle and the Jackdaw." Learn a new dress-up, the who/which clause. Practice ideas for who/which clauses that you can use in your summary. Write a KWO for "Komodo Dragon." Test your KWO by retelling it to a partner. Remember to speak in complete sentences. Optional: Complete Day 2 in Fix It! Grammar Week 3.
DAY 3	 Using your KWO, not the source text, write your summary about "The Eagle and the Jackdaw." Include one -ly adverb and one who/which clause in your paragraph. Underline only who or which, not the entire clause. Create a title following the title rule. Follow the directions on the checklist and check off each item as you complete it. Give the Letter to the Editor to your editor and have him or her check your rough draft. Optional: Complete Day 3 in Fix It! Grammar Week 3.
DAYS 4 AND 5	 Write your final draft making any changes that your editor suggested. Staple the checklist, final draft, rough draft, and KWO together. Hand them in. Optional: Complete Day 4 in Fix It! Grammar Week 3.

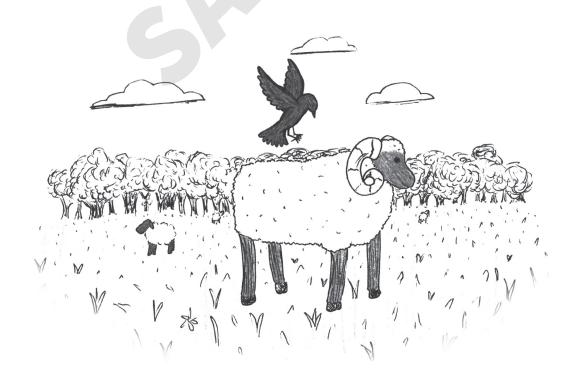


Letter to the Editor
Writer's Name:
Dear Editor,
Congratulations on being selected to edit the rough draft of the writing assignment for the writer listed above. Every good writer has an encouraging editor. This student is enrolled in my writing course using the IEW Structure and Style writing program.
Because this is a school paper, it is easy to be confused about the role of an editor. In order not to inadvertently discourage students who are just learning how to write well, this program's editor has an important distinction.
The editor's job is to simply correct grammar and spelling mistakes. This course requires students to write quickly—hence the possibility of poor handwriting. Additionally, the course requires students to insert specific stylistic techniques which may at times render a sentence more awkward than is desirable. Upon practice, students will become more eloquent in their writing. For our purposes, it is better to undercorrect than overcorrect.
If you choose to accept this task, I encourage you to relax, enjoy reading what this student has written, and simply mark any obvious errors.
Thank you for your willingness to help young people become better writers.
Warmly,
Writing Teacher
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The Eagle and the Jackdaw Attributed to Aesop

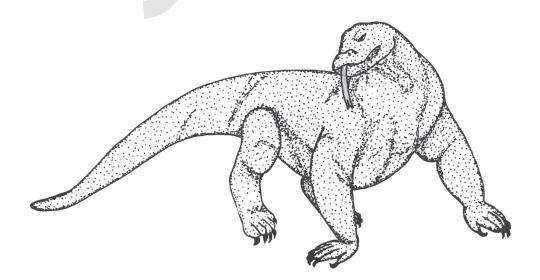
A large eagle flew down from his lofty perch, seized upon a small lamb, and carried him aloft with powerful wings and talons. A jackdaw observed the eagle's prowess and was stirred with envy. He wanted to emulate the strength and skill of the eagle. Therefore, he flew around with a great whir of his wings and settled upon a large ram, intending to carry him off. But his claws became entangled in the ram's fleece, and he was not able to release himself though he flapped his feathers as much as he could. The shepherd, seeing what had happened, ran up and caught him. He at once clipped the bird's wings and took him home that night as a gift for his children. They said to him, "Father, what kind of bird is it?" He replied, "I am certain he is a crow, but he would like you to think he is an eagle."





Komodo Dragon

The largest lizard in the world is the Komodo dragon. It is named for Komodo, one of the islands it inhabits in Indonesia. Living thirty years, a Komodo dragon can grow to more than ten feet in length and weigh up to three hundred pounds. The fierce Komodo has sharp teeth and thick scales. It has a long forked tongue similar to most snakes. It feeds on almost anything—carrion, deer, wild pigs, smaller Komodos, and even water buffalo. Unlike most lizards, its bite is venomous, decreasing its victim's blood pressure and sending its prey into shock. If the Komodo bites an animal but doesn't kill it, the animal will die a few days later. The Komodo will then find and eat the dead carcass. It can consume eighty percent of its body weight in a single feeding. Then, it can vomit up its meal if it needs to get away quickly. These dangerous reptiles can run up to thirteen miles per hour. Over the past four decades, dozens of people have been attacked by a Komodo dragon, and at least five have died.





Unit 2 Composition Checklist

Week 3: The Eagle and the Jackdaw

Writing from Notes

Name:	IEW	Excellence in Writing
STRUCTURE	^	Listen. Speak. Read. Write. Think!
□ name and date in upper left-hand corner		
□ composition double-spaced		
☐ title centered and repeats 1–3 key words from final sentence		
□ checklist on top, final draft, rough draft, key word outline		
STYLE		
¶1 Dress-Ups (underline one of each)		
☐ -ly adverb		
□ who/which clause		
MECHANICS (-1 pt per error)		
□ capitalization		
☐ end marks and punctuation		
□ complete sentences (Does it make sense?)		
□ correct spelling		

