

Dear Parents:

We are pleased to provide you with a program that will help to equip your child to communicate God's truths with skill, accuracy, and fluency. These English materials place an equal emphasis on grammar and writing skills. By alternating grammar chapters and writing chapters, your child will be encouraged to put his grammar skills into immediate practical use as he writes a story, a book report, a research report, a letter, a poem, a research report, instructions, and essays. Practice is also provided through chapter reviews and cumulative reviews.

The first Worktext page in each lesson is designed to teach the needed skills through examples, definitions, and sample exercises. These teaching pages are intended for the instructor and child to work through together. Each grammar chapter focuses on a theme, such as agriculture, museums, sports, and travel. Because the practice sentences reflect these themes, some of the vocabulary used in the exercises might be new to your child. The teacher will discuss the meanings of special theme-related terms as your child does the lesson.

Each writing chapter assigns a specific type of writing and then takes your child through the five steps of the Writing Process as presented in the lessons: planning, drafting, revising, proofreading, and publishing. The final, or published, copy will evidence many improvements; however, it may not be entirely error-free.

We trust your child will enjoy the school year as he learns grammar and writing skills that will lay a foundation for communication that will be useful for the rest of his life.