| Stage 5 | |
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'Grammar Hammer'

Skill Check 3

| 1. (W5:1) The prefixes dis-, de-, mis-, over-, and re- create verbs when added to root words. | | | | 2. (W5:1. Sp 6:11) The suffixes ate, ize (or ise), and ify can form verbs from some nouns or adjectives. There may be a slight change of spelling to the root word or the final letter might be dropped. | | | | | | | |
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| de | ice | | fuse code | | 9 | medic | -ize | | -ate | | |
| 3. (W5:2. Sp 5:14) Silent 'c' often follows 's' and 'sc' often goes before 'e' or 'i' (scissors, scene) | | | | | 4. (W5:2. Sp 5:17) Silent 't' is often in the letter string 'stle' (whistle, thistle, castle) | | | | | | |
| s <u>c</u> issors brush | | | | w <u>h</u> is <u>t</u> le drum | | | ım | | | | |
| 5-6. (W5:3. 5:19) Homophones are words that sound the same but have different meanings and different spellings. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The climber started the (assent / <u>ascent</u>). I can (<u>devise</u> / device) a way to solve it. | | | | | | | | | | | t. |
| 7. (W5:4) Check the definition with that in the dictionary available. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| mettle Courage or strength of character. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8-9. (W5:5) To put in alphabetical order you may need to use the first, second, third or even fourth letter of the word. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| strip | e | 3 | strong 4 | | 4 | shop | | 2 | shape | | 1 |
| 10-11. (W5:11) Using a wider range of adverbials can help build cohesion within and across paragraphs. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| quickly | | | <u>once</u> | | | <u>often</u> | | | below | | |
| 12-13. (W5:12) Using a wider range of adverbials help organise and structure texts so they guide the reader and are suited to the intended audience and purpose. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>also</u> | | | unless | | | therefore | | | <u>along with</u> | | |
| 14-15. (W5:15) A verb tense tells us when the action takes place: the past (I ran), present (I run) or future (I will run). They should remain consistent throughout a piece of writing unless there is a good reason to change it. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The b | aby (<u>be</u> | gan | / begun) t | to cry. | | The leaves | ; (blown | / <u>bl</u> | l <u>ew</u>) across | the lav | vn. |
| | - | - | - | | | | | - | nected by 'or', use ibjects usually nee | - | |
| Bob and | Dan (w | as / | <u>were</u>) bes | t friend | s. | Neither N | 1um nor | Dad | l (were / <u>w</u> | <u>as</u>) rigl | ht. |
| | | | | | | the past at an un le of the verb. Sim | | | y use 'have' (pres ific time. | ent perfect) |), |
| The lion (<u>bit</u> / bitten) the keeper. | | | | | The keeper was (bit / <u>bitten</u>) by the lion. | | | | | | |
| 20-21. (W5:19) Expanded noun phrases add information (adjectives) to nouns (either before or after the noun). They can be an efficient way to make writing more interesting and create imagery. Words that add nothing new or are synonymous are repetitive and redundant. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The ug | ıly (hideo | ous) | witch held | up the | crim | nson (red ro | sy) apple | e, try | ying to tem | ot her. | |
| 22. (W5:20) Modal verbs indicate likelihood (must), ability (can), permission (may) or obligation. They include the verbs can, could, may, might, should, shall, would, will, must (and their negative forms). They go before other verbs. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Perhaps I (may / would / <u>should</u>) wait until Dad gets home. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23. (W5:21) A relative clause adds more information about the noun in the main clause. They normally come after the noun and start with the words who, which, where, when, whose or that. They start and end with a comma. They turn simple sentences into complex sentences. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The man, who robbed the bank, was arrested last night. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24. (W5:22) A main function of the comma is to avoid ambiguity (confusion) in sentences. They can help make the meaning clear. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| His shoes, covered in mud, were on the new carpet. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 25. (W5:23) Parenthesis is a word or phrase inserted into a sentence to give extra information, explanation, clarification or afterthought. Brackets enclose it to show that it is separate from the rest of the sentence. Commas or dashes can also be used to show parenthesis. | | | | | | | | | | |
| He finally said (after taking time to think) that he didn't understand. | | | | | | | | | | | |