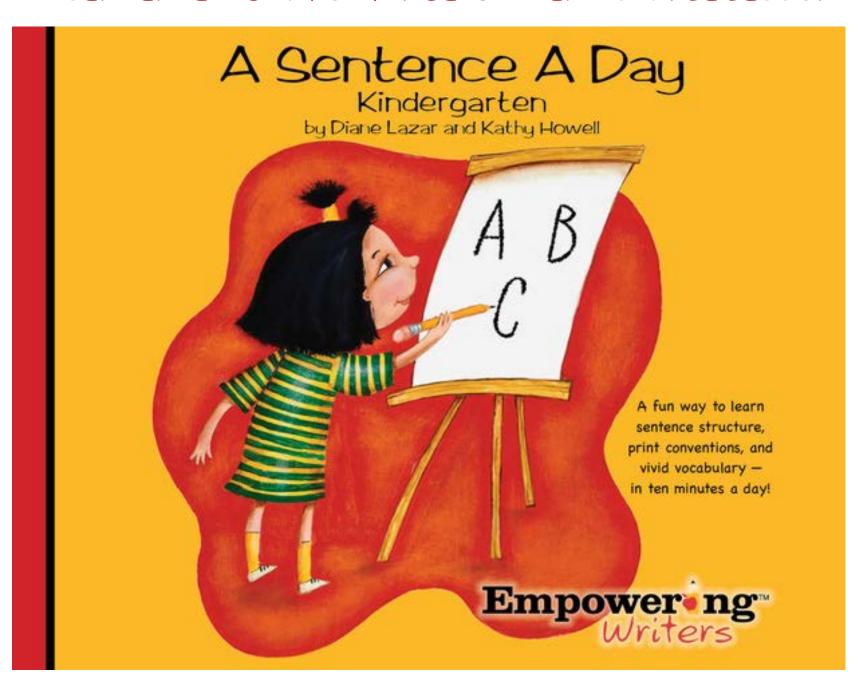
A SENTENCE A DAY FOR KINDERGARTEN - SAMPLE LESSON



Week 8: Pumpkin Patch Critters – Common Nouns

Words of the Week:

bee / ant / bug / web

The focus this week is on common nouns – α non-specific person, place or thing.

Directions: This week students will practice writing words on the lines. As students work, walk around and "dot" the elements that are correct. You're looking for correct placement on the lines as well as left to right orientation.

DAY 1

<u>TEACHER READS</u>: Tyrell looked out the back door at the pumpkin patch he and his dad had planted. The pumpkins were almost ready to pick. In the spring, Tyrell and his dad planted pumpkin seeds and tended them all year. As the plants grew and the flowers bloomed on the plant, insects buzzed around the flowers, gathering nectar. What insect buzzed around the pumpkin flowers? (bee).

CHART: bee

DAY 2

TEACHER READS: As Tyrell walked out the door toward the pumpkin patch, he stepped onto a bed of little red insects. When he picked his foot up he noticed one of the little angry pests was inching its way up his leg. He slapped at the bug and knocked it back toward the bed of busy creatures. What insect crept up Tyrell's leg? (ant).

CHART: ant

DAY 3

TEACHER READS: Tyrell called for his dad to join him in the pumpkin patch. They strolled together around the plants admiring the large orange gourds that grew underneath each plant. All of a sudden dad noticed something crawling on one of the round spheres. It was a small critter with quick skinny legs. What was crawling on the pumpkin? (bug)

CHART: bug

DAY 4

TEACHER READS: Dad did not tell Tyrell that the bug he saw crawling on the pumpkin was a spider. Just then, Tyrell screamed. "Look dad, it's a spider!" Dad turned and saw the panicked look on his son's face. The spider had woven a thin net of string that stretched from one pumpkin to another. What did the spider weave? (web)

CHART: web

DAY 5 - Friday Free For All

TEACHER READS: The pumpkin patch was full of large overgrown plants and orange pumpkins growing bigger every day. It wouldn't be long before the pumpkins would be ready to pick. What other living creatures flourished near the pumpkin patch?

Teacher: Allow time for students to draw and write.

Day 1

