

## Writing

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In response to the challenges of developing students' writing skills, *Glencoe Literature* takes into account contemporary trends in both scholarship and practice and sets forth features that offer great potential for success.

The writing instruction in *Glencoe Literature* is directly connected to and supportive of the many rich reading opportunities in the textbook. Through **Respond Through Writing**, students respond to what they have read by analyzing text in a way that helps them delve deeper into the literature. Through the **Writing Workshops**, students gain direct experience producing various genres of writing after having read a number of texts in the same genre.

The program also provides ample opportunities for creative writing, research writing, and content-area writing. Through **Write with Style**, students study a particular style technique used by an author and then apply that same technique in their own creative piece. **Research and Report** and **Connect to Content Areas** take students into interdisciplinary investigations that develop research, critical thinking, and writing skills applicable to other subject areas.

### Integrating Grammar with Reading and Writing

*Glencoe Literature* integrates grammar instruction with reading and writing assignments. **Grammar Workshops** use the literature as a springboard into focused instruction on grammar topics. Because the teaching of sentence combining is a powerful way to increase a student's writing facility and grammar knowledge, a special workshop on sentence combining has been added to this edition. **Grammar Tips** that appear in the Writing Workshops and Respond Through Writing give students information about a point of grammar carefully chosen for its relevance to the writing product.

### Explicit Teaching of Writing Strategies

The underlying writing philosophy of *Glencoe Literature* is that writing strategies and techniques need to be taught explicitly. Therefore, the **Writing Workshops** and **Respond Through Writing** features walk students through the process of planning, drafting, revising, and editing. The lessons provide strong support through such resources as writing checklists, prewriting graphic organizers, word banks, sentence frames, and annotated professional and student models of papers.

Taken altogether, the writing assignments in *Glencoe Literature* provide explicit writing instruction integrated with the literature in order to increase students' understanding of and appreciation for good writing and to improve students' own

writing abilities for success in high school and beyond into college and the work world.

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