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COURSE: Writing/Composition

Month	Chapter	Concepts	Skills	Assessments
September	Chapter 16 Handbook	The writing process	-Prewriting -Drafting -Revising/Editing -Proofreading -Publishing	
October	Chapter 17.1 Handbook	Modes of Writing	-Descriptive writing -Observing/taking notes -Writing the description	
November	Chapter 17.2	Modes of Writing	-Narrative writing -Plot -Characters -Setting -Point of view	

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December	Chapter 17.3 Handbook	Modes of Writing	-Expository writing -Compare and contrast -Explaining a process using cause and effect -Arranging details	
January	Chapter 17.4 Handbook	Modes of writing	-Persuasive writing -Forming an opinion audience -Supporting your opinion -Organizing your argument	
February	Unit 5 Writer's Choice	Writing in the Real World	-Conveying information -Compare and contrast essay -Answering an essay question -Comparing two poems	

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March	Unit 5 Writer's Choice	Writing in the Real World	-Business Letters	
April	Chapter 18	Research Report Writing	-Prewriting -Choosing a topic -Drafting -Evaluate the information -Note cards -Source cards -Outline	
May	Chapter 19	Business Writing	-Writing a request letter -Writing direction for a process -Making a presentation	