

**Washington State Standards  
correlated to  
Merit Software Writing Mechanics- Grammar Programs**

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction is currently (November 2003) updating academic content standards — Essential Academic Learning Requirements — in Reading, Mathematics and Science. The refined standards will include K-10 Grade Level Expectations (GLEs) which provide more detailed information for educators, students and parents and further be used to create new ESEA Reading and Mathematics assessments for grades 3-8 and 10, beginning in 2006. The Writing standards have not yet been revised to the EALR format.

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Grade 3

<b>Subhead</b>	<b>EALR</b>	<b>Component</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Merit Software</b>
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 1-2, Write It Right Set 1

Grade 4

<b>Subhead</b>	<b>EALR</b>	<b>Component</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Merit Software</b>
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 1-2, Write It Right Set 1

Grade 5

Subhead	EALR	Component	Benchmark	Merit Software
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 1-2, Write It Right Set 1

Grade 6

Subhead	EALR	Component	Benchmark	Merit Software
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 1-2, Write It Right Set 1

Grade 7

Subhead	EALR	Component	Benchmark	Merit Software
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 1-2, Write It Right Set 1

Grade 8

Subhead	EALR	Component	Benchmark	Merit Software
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 2-3, Write It Right Set 1

Grades 9-10

Subhead	EALR	Component	Benchmark	Merit Software
Writing	1. The student writes clearly and effectively.	1.3 apply writing conventions	know and apply correct spelling, grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization	Grammar Fitness Sets 3-4, Write It Right Set 2, Business English Fitness