# CREATIVE WRITING

# LANGUAGE ARTS AGES 8-11

#### Grammar

Including but not limited to:

Plural nouns, adjectives, parentheses, conjunctions, series, verbs, commas, similes and more!

## Spelling/vocabulary

Spelling and vocabulary pulled out from our stories as well as most common words for practice and spelling rule lessons.

# **Literary devices**

Each story we read through will have a specific literary device to learn and practice such as verse novels, red herrings, idioms and more.

#### **CURRICULUM USED**

I have created my own class built around resources from Brave writer "dart" and partnership in writing as well as "all about spelling"

#### **OVERVIEW**

My ultimate goal is for your child to fall in love with writing! In this class, your student will learn language arts skills and beginning experiences in writing in fun creative ways. Each week we will spend part of our class time reading a book together aloud, which will stand as the backbone for our lessons. From each story students will write copywork, which strengthens their handwriting skills and gives them a feel for writing. Each copywork passage is specifically chosen to teach various grammar skills, correct Punctuation, new vocabulary and literary devices. We will also learn and practice spelling rules. Not only will your child learn the literary devices found in each story, but they will be given various prompts in order to practice applying them. Finally, at different points through out the year, your student will work on "not your typical" writing projects such as creating a homophone flip book, creating secret codes, writing their own myth lap book or a mail order catalog page! (Just to name a few)

Will we be writing formal papers? No. The purpose of this class is to learn writing skills in small amounts while mixing in a lot of creative play. Your student will write in smaller scale, such as the literary device writing prompts, but our projects focus more on exploring all the fun and creative ways we can apply writing skills to our world!

While I do believe all children can gain skills and joy from this class, this is particularly suited for those who are more creatively inclined in interest. I am hoping to keep at home work very minimal, doing as much as possible in class outside of occasional project pieces.

Students interested in this class need to have some level of writing and reading ability.





### **Meet your Tutor:**

My Name is Chelsea Eby! I have been married almost 17 years now to my husband, Jacob. We have four wonderful kids(6,9,12,15), all of whom I have homeschooled from the start. (my eldest entered public school for HS)

I am a portrait artist/oil painter by trade also working as a metalsmith, creating wearable art whenever I am able! I play mandolin, violin and enjoy singing in the worship team at our church.

I also hobby as a writer, whether it be short essays or stories, poems or even song lyrics. I absolutely love reading and teach my own kids with a literature based learning style. I try to read one book a week personally.

I have mainly taught art classes of all ages through the years but have also taught ancient history for elementary age and tutored for classical conversations a few years.

I am quite quirky and as a teacher I am inspired by Ms. Frizzle of the magic school bus!

#### TUITION:

Materials Fee: \$20 non refundable due at registration.

Deposit is due at registration-\$25 non-refundable amount which is to be paid directly to REACH as you register for the class.

**LAMP families:** \$315 total tuition: this will come out to \$35 a month. If LAMP only provides partial pay, you will be responsible for the rest, which will be due by the second week of class. You are also responsible to self-pay for any missed LAMP payments due to dropping after third class or for not meeting LAMP requirements during the semester.

**Self-pay families: will receive a \$15 discount for \$300 total tuition**: full tuition or \$150 due the first day of class, September 4th, and again with second semester being due January 15th.

If the class is dropped after the second class of either semester, tuition is not refunded.

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