First Grade Informative Weekly Pacing Guide

Suggested – Use as an example to plan your lesson

Objective: Students will write an informative piece that meets current quarter benchmarks

Materials:

- First grade current quarter benchmark checklist
- Journal Blue book, Science journal, etc.

	Whole Group Modeling	Guided Practice	Writing Workshop
	10 – 15 minutes	20 – 30 minutes	
Week 1	Introduce topic Build background knowledge/research facts Model notetaking (highlighting, flags, post it notes, etc.) (Could take place during content	Teacher provides differentiated materials/books/on-line resources for students to complete research	When students have completed the process writing task for the day, they may choose another "writing choice" • Success Criteria Checklist—
Week 2 Day 1	study or Guided Reading) Model informational plan (sketch/graphic and labels)	Circulate while students work on the writing process task of the day based on teacher model	Students must have completed all items before they work on a writing choice
Days 2-3	Write introduction* matched to plan Write body matched to plan	Encourage students to edit and revise for content vocabulary, descriptive details that match facts, and conventions each day of writing	 Reach response to reading prompts Question of the day
Day 4	Write conclusion* matched to plan	Depending on student needs, pull small groups of writers for differentiation	 List Compare and Contrast Fact list
Day 5	Consult with students in groups of 3-5 to support completion of the informational piece. (10-15 minutes per group depending on amount of scaffolds needed)	Students complete piece, revise, edit and publish**	Add caption to match a photograph or graphic

Times listed are estimates. You will need to adjust for your students.

^{*}When introducing informative text type, the introduction and conclusion may be sentence frames or "borrowed" from teacher model.

^{**} Not every piece needs to be published.