

GRAMMAR EXERCISES IN 3RD AND 4TH-GRADE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEXTBOOKS

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ABSTRACT: This article explores grammar exercises in 3rd and 4th-grade English language textbooks. It also highlights how these textbooks provide various topics, grammar rules, vocabulary, and exercises aimed at developing students' speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills to facilitate language acquisition.

KEYWORDS: primary school, foreign language, grammatical knowledge, textbook analysis, "Teacher's Book," "Student's Book," "Workbook" textbooks, task typology, grammar exercises, exercises on parts of speech, verb tenses, singular and plural forms, subject-verb agreement, sentence construction, comprehension and adaptation tasks, and sentence completion exercises.

INTRODUCTION

3rd and 4th-grade English language textbooks serve as a solid foundation for students learning English. These textbooks incorporate age-appropriate and engaging materials to enhance learning effectiveness.

Susan Riverswith and Lesley Koustaff identified grammar exercises in the "Guess What! Workbook 3" textbook [7] (see Table 1).

Table 1.
Grammar Exercises in "Workbook 3"

| Units | Topics | Grammar Exercises |
|--------------|-------------|--|
| Starter unit | Welcome | Read and match Answer the questions. Then draw your picture Write the months in order. Then answer the question. Use the letters in the boxes to complete the answer Answer the questions |
| Unit 1 | In the yard | Look and circle the words Look and complete the sentences. Then color the animals Look and circle the questions and answers Look and write the questions and answers |
| Unit 2 | At school | Look and circle the answers Look and complete the questions and answers Read and match Look and write the questions and answers |
| Unit 3 | School days | Look and follow. Then complete the questions and answers Look at activity 4. Complete the sentences Read and complete Josh's day Look at activity 6. Write the answers Choose a day from your schedule. Answer the questions |

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| Unit 4 | My day | Read and match Look and complete the sentences Write sentences and draw the times Read and answer the questions Look and complete the sentences Ask and answer with two friends |
| Unit 5 | Home time | Read and match Look and complete the sentences Write about your friend Look and complete the questions. Then circle the answers Look and complete the questions and answers. Then draw |
| Unit 6 | Hobbies | Look and follow. Then write true or false Look at activity 4. Complete the sentences Look and read. Then answer the questions Write questions about Jack and Ella |
| Unit 7 | At the market | Read and circle the correct pictures Look and complete the sentences with lots of, some, or not any Look and check yes or no Look at activity 6. Complete the questions and answers |
| Unit 8 | At the beach | Look and write the words Look and answer the questions Look and circle the words Look and complete the questions and answers |

Susan Riverswith and Lesley Koustaff identified grammar exercises in the "Guess What! Workbook 4" textbook [8] (see Table 2).

Table 2.
Grammar Exercises in "Workbook 4"

| Units | Topics | Grammar Exercises |
|--------------|---------------|---|
| Starter unit | Welcome back! | Read and match Look and complete the questions and answers Write about a person in your family |
| Unit 1 | Fun sports | Look and read. Then circle Look and write the words Complete the conversations Look and write Answer the questions |
| Unit 2 | Around town | Look and circle the correct answers Look at activity 3. Complete the questions and answers Read and draw. Then answer the questions Look at activity 5. Write the directions |
| Unit 3 | At work | Put the words in order. Then match Look at activity 3. Complete the questions and answers Write the name of a famous person. Then ask and answer with a friend Read and number Look and write the questions and answers Answer the questions |

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| Unit 4 | Wild animals | Read and choose the correct words Look and complete the sentences. Use the words in the box Read and circle the correct words Look and use the words to complete the questions Complete the questions and write the answers |
| Unit 5 | Food and drink | Look and count. Then complete the sentences Look at activity 3. Then complete the sentences Complete the sentences Look and complete the questions and answers Answer the questions |
| Unit 6 | Health matters | Look and write Look at activity 3. Write the words Look and write the questions and answers Complete the questions and say why you can't Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box |
| Unit 7 | Buildings | Put the words in order. Then write the number Answer the questions Look and check Yes, I was or No, I wasn't Look and write Answer the questions |
| Unit 8 | Weather | Look and write Answer the questions Read and match. Then write the days Look and complete the questions and answers |

The volume of grammar exercises in 3rd and 4th-grade textbooks has been determined (see Figure 1).

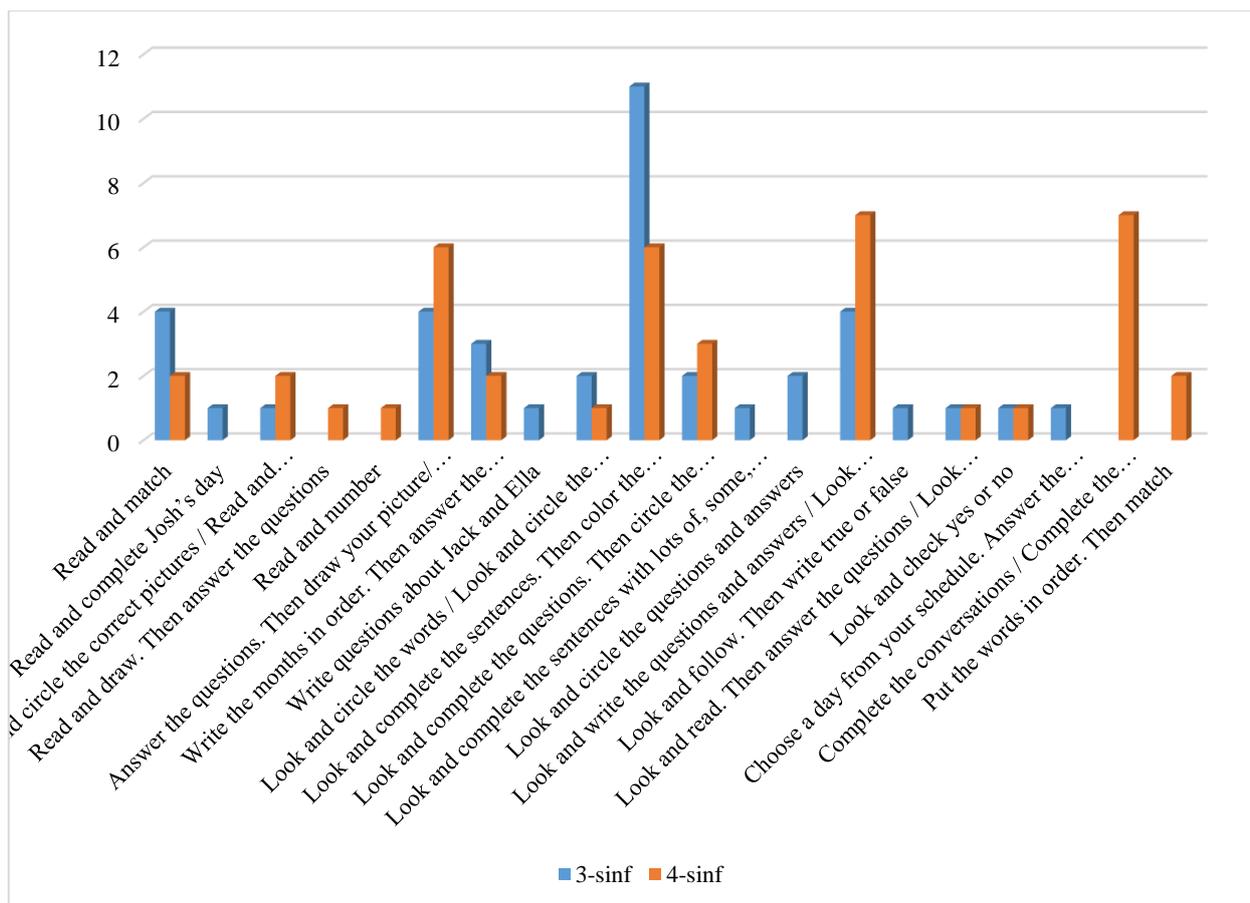


Figure 1. Volume of Grammar Exercises in 3rd and 4th-Grade Textbooks

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, 3rd and 4th-grade English language textbooks introduce grammar in a simplified manner, focusing on basic grammatical rules. The textbooks include grammar exercises aimed at working with verb tenses and forms, allowing students to develop their understanding gradually.

At these levels, there is an increased emphasis on learning more complex words and phrases, helping students expand their vocabulary and enhance their overall language skills.

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