

**Correlation of the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA),
Eleventh Grade Writing Test, to
*How to Write Clear Sentences: A Self-Paced Text***

Background: All students must pass the eleventh-grade PSSA test in writing or an alternative local version in order to graduate from high school. The eleventh-grade PSSA test in writing requires students to write essays in response to three writing prompts. The writing is evaluated on the basis of its focus, content, organization, style, and conventions. *How to Write Clear Sentences* has a direct correlation to the conventions being evaluated.

PSSA Writing Test: Standard	Reference in <i>How to Write Clear Sentences</i>
Use capital letters correctly.	Unit 9
Punctuate correctly.	Unit 8
Use nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions, and prepositions correctly.	Units 1, 4, 5, and 7
Use complete sentences.	Units 1,2, and 3
Use correct sentences	Units 3 and 6
Use sentence variety	Units 2, 3, and 8