

UNIT I

Capitalization

LESSON 1: Capitalization

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Capitalization Rule #1: Capitalize the first word of a sentence, the pronoun **I**, and the interjection **O**.

Ex. 1 Bless us, **O** Lord, and these Thy gifts.

Ex. 2 Henry and **I** walked to school.

Capitalization Rule #2: Capitalize all words that refer to God, but not pagan gods.

Ex. 1 Through **C**hrist our **L**ord. Amen. We give thanks to **H**im.

Ex. 2 The Greek god Poseidon is lord of the sea.

COPYWORK:

Capitalization Rule #1: _____

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

Capitalization Rule #2: _____

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

PRACTICE A: Circle the words that should be capitalized.

1. we say a prayer every morning to start our school day.
2. after we pray, we begin our studies.
3. my favorite subject is grammar, but i also really enjoy math.
4. sometimes we play review games together.
5. the National Anthem begins with the words "o say can you see."
6. james led the students down the stairs.
7. evan and i prayed to the lord for wisdom.

8. zeus was the king of the Greek gods.
9. may i return this book to the library?
10. the opening words of "America the Beautiful" are "o beautiful for spacious skies."

PRACTICE B: Circle the words that should be capitalized.

1. david is one of my favorite characters to study.
2. he was a man after god's own heart.
3. when he sinned, he asked the lord for forgiveness.
4. david was faithful to god and gave him glory.
5. he is a man whose example i would like to follow.
6. david did not allow his people to worship false gods.

PRACTICE C DICTATION: On the facing page, study Capitalization Rules #1-2 and the examples carefully. When you are ready, fold the facing page back so that you cannot see the examples. Write the examples below as your teacher dictates them aloud. Read over your work thoroughly, and then fold the facing page back and check your work for errors.

Capitalization Rule #1:

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

Capitalization Rule #2:

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

QUIZ:

Oral: Recite

Capitalization Rules #1-2

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Capitalization Rules #1-2 Examples

LESSON 2: Capitalization

REVIEW RECITATION:

Capitalization Rules #1-2

LESSON:

Capitalization Rule #3: Capitalize words that show family relationship if used as a name, but not if preceded by a possessive pronoun.

Ex. 1 I asked **Mom** and **Aunt Mary** to teach me to cook.

Ex. 2 I asked my mom and my aunt to teach me to cook.

Capitalization Rule #4: Capitalize the first word and all important words in titles of books, poems, stories, films, works of art, and magazines.

Ex. 1 We memorize the poem "**H**oratius at the **B**ridge."

Ex. 2 We watched the movie *Anne of Green Gables*.

Ex. 3 The *Pieta* is a sculpture by Michelangelo.

COPYWORK:

Capitalization Rule #3: _____

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

Capitalization Rule #4: _____

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

Ex. 3 _____

PRACTICE A: Circle the words that should be capitalized.

1. i visited my aunt in the hospital.
2. mother and father were both working in the yard.

3. uncle mark and i were helping them plant trees along the fence.
4. i went with my brother to the grocery store.
5. has grandmother finished all the baking?
6. my grandfather helped build this barn.
7. my sister and my brother are both excellent students.
8. has aunt mary finished her book?

PRACTICE B: Circle the words that should be capitalized.

1. shakespeare wrote the play *romeo and juliet*.
2. my favorite book is *little house on the prairie*.
3. the mona lisa is a famous painting by Leonardo da Vinci.
4. we will read the book *the trojan war* this year in class.
5. *the wizard of oz* was released in 1939.
6. my parents subscribe to *the new york times* and *reader's digest* magazine.
7. hilary has read *the legend of sleepy hollow* several times.
8. joseph must recite the poem "i never saw a moor" tomorrow.

PRACTICE C DICTATION: On the facing page, study Capitalization Rules #3-4 and the examples carefully. When you are ready, fold the facing page back so that you cannot see the examples. Write the examples below as your teacher dictates them aloud. Read over your work thoroughly, and then fold the facing page back and check your work for errors.

Capitalization Rule #3:

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

Capitalization Rule #4:

Ex. 1 _____

Ex. 2 _____

Ex. 3 _____

QUIZ:

Oral: Recite

Capitalization Rules #3-4

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Capitalization Rules #3-4 Examples