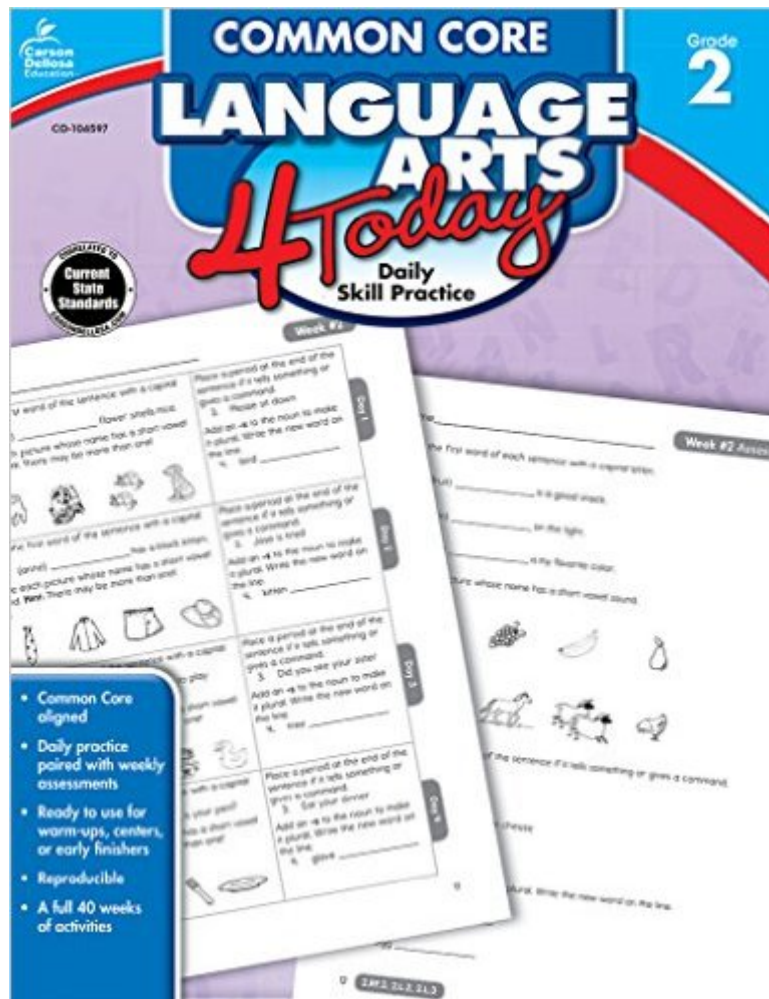


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# Common Core Language Arts 4 Today, Grade 2: Daily Skill Practice (Common Core 4 Today)



## Synopsis

Build a foundation and focus on what matters most for language arts and reading readiness with Language Arts 4 Today: The Common Core Edition for second grade. This 96-page comprehensive supplement contains standards-aligned reproducible activities designed to focus on critical language arts skills and concepts that meet the Common Core State Standards. Each page includes 16 questions to be completed during a four-day period. The exercises are arranged in a continuous spiral so that concepts are repeated weekly. An assessment for the fifth day is provided for evaluating students' understanding of the language arts concepts practiced throughout the week. Also included are a Common Core State Standards alignment matrix and an answer key.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 7 - 8 years

Grade Level: 2 and up

## Customer Reviews

I bought this book as a supplement since we are all switching gears to align with Common Core. What I LOVE about this book is the CC Standards Alignment Matrix at the beginning of the books. It maps out which standards you are working on for that week, a total of 40 weeks. The daily work is short, about 5 minutes at the most. The books is mixed with comprehension and grammar activities. The 5th day is the assessment which cover the skill that were addressed in the previous 4 days. There is section about building a reading environment and a section for writing strategies, which has

nothing new or enlightening for educators, but would be advantageous to many parents if buying for home use. I took away one star due to the fact that the lines provided to write a response are on the smaller side, as another reviewer pointed out. This book is geared towards 6 and 7 year olds who are still developing line placement, finger spacing, and whole host of other skills that makes lines this small an issue for some.

I bought this in hopes of having my son prepared for 2nd grade and to keep his mind working over the summer. Instead of helping his progress though it's very confusing. The questions are vague sometimes and can vary while the answer key in the back of the book shows a set response. It is difficult for my seven year old to understand and he is one of the top readers/spellers/writers in his class.

I used these in my classroom as daily review. I think that they are very appropriate for 2nd grade. I liked that weeks alternated between reading, writing, and grammar/phonics. The reading and the grammar/phonics were my favorite. I wasn't a huge fan of the writing. It took the students through the writing process, which was nice, but my students struggled with the revise, edit, final draft steps. Without guidance (this was seatwork while I was with small group), they just recopied what they had written without making changes. Those steps are hard for students and they didn't work well for independent work, but I sometimes just skipped the writing weeks.

I love to start off the day with warm up work. Some weeks I really like. Other weeks not so much. I was excited to update my morning routine with something common core aligned. Just didn't love all activities. The writing portion is not what I hoped for. I did like the reading comprehension. Small passages and the students can really use close reading skills.

I love that my son feels like doing the work in this workbook is fun rather than work! The lessons don't add a lot of time to his already heavy load of homework (thanks common core) and he's doing really well on them. As soon as I determine whether this workbook improves his reading and/or reading comprehension, I'll be back to update my review.

Seems to be a great learning tool for my daughter this summer while she is out of school. I do not like the setup- my daughter completes a full page each day instead of just one small section, as instructed by the book.

This is recommended for educators needing additional materials to supplement, enrich, or enhance skills of students on grade level. Includes all resources needed to complete assessment of skills according to standards.

My boy has always had trouble in reading and English since he started school. I bought this book before the summer started in hopes that he would be able to stay caught up going into the second grade. It worked! He loved taking time out of his day for language practice and on several days, chose to do more than my one required exercise a day. each excercise is about five questions, give or take. This made it a great practice book because the excercises were not long and drawn out. My boy has ADHD and was able to sit through 1-3 practices at a time, without medication. It is only a few weeks into the school year but he has been bringing home a's and b's in these subjects and is so proud of himself. I am one proud mommy as well! ^f

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