

Exercises of Activity Book

Fourth section

Focus on writing

Revision

Capital letters

1 Rewrite this paragraph in your notebook. Put in the capital letters where necessary.

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Linking words

2 Complete the sentences with and, but, because and however.

1. You should go to bed early **because** you'll feel more energetic.
2. Writing was useful at first, **but** it wasn't entertaining.
3. Arar wrote famous poems like 'Wish of the Wisher' **and** 'Sorrow of

Youth'.

4. Amazon children don't use the Internet, **but** they go to school
5. and play with friends.
6. Life is really hard for the Nyangatom. **However**, we could all learn from them.

A personal letter

3 Khadeeja wrote a letter to her sister Fatima. Rewrite this letter in your notebook putting the sections of the letter in order. Use the Writing Strategies on page 18 of your Student's Book to help you.

Khadeeja c/o JHCO

Amman

Jordan

20 January

Dear Fatima,

How are you, dear sister? How's our family? Are Mum and Dad OK?

I'm very well. The situation in Haiti is very bad, but I am very happy because I am helping people. I am living in a tent. It's not very comfortable, but some people don't even have a tent!

I miss you all! I still have to stay here two more months. I'm coming back in April. And after

that ... can you believe it? Children of the World accepted my application. I still don't know where they are sending me. But let's not worry about it. Write back soon.

I look forward to hearing your news.

Best wishes,

Khadeeja

Spelling

4 Complete the following email in the Present Continuous, using the correct *-ing* spelling of the verbs in brackets.

Dear Mum, I'm (1) **spending** (spend) a wonderful time with Grandma and Grandpa. The sun's (2) **shining** (shine) all the time, so my cousins and I are (3) **tying** (tie) a rope to the boat to pull it to the sea. We aren't (4) **swimming** (swim) in the sea because it is cold.

Grandma is an excellent cook, so we're all (5) **eating** (eat) a lot. I promised you I would write every day, so this is why I'm (6) **writing** (write) now.

Love,

Ali

5 Complete the words with the correct spelling.

Writing started a long time ago. At first, people only wrote in order to keep (1) **records** of local trade. Later, writing became more entertaining.

When (2) **storytelling** started, some famous piece of literature travelled around the world. The (3) **skills** of the poets in the past were so (4) **impressive** that modern poets are (5) **inspired** by them.

Guided writing

6 Reorder the following words to write two paragraphs in the letter Jamal wrote to his children from South Africa, where he's working for Children of the World. Once you have the two paragraphs, add the other elements that make a letter and write it in your notebook.

1. you are/?/ How / all
2. you/I/hope / well / . / are/
3. a/know/You / I'm / , / but / I'm / very / hard worker / tired /
4. sometimes/eight/I/work/ over /hours a day/.
5. very/lot/them / These / need /children/a / of / , / and / I'm / happy/to/help/. / help
6. soon/Write/ . / back
7. hearing look/I/ forward/to/ news // your

Jamal

c/o Children of the World,

South Africa 30 July

Dear children,

How are you all? I hope you are well.

You know I'm a hard worker, but I'm very tired. I sometimes work over eight hours a day. These children need a lot of help, and I'm very happy to help them.

Write back soon. I look forward to hearing your news.

Love, Dad