

Ancient History-Based Writing Lessons FAQ

Which edition of *Ancient History-Based Writing Lessons* will be used for Cycle 1 in the 2021–2022 academic year?

The Institute for Excellence in Writing (IEW) has revised *Ancient History-Based Writing Lessons (AHW)*. The sixth edition with the Tutankhamun mask on the cover will be used in Essentials communities for Cycle 1 beginning First Semester 2021. The Teacher's Manual and Student Book are sold separately or as a combo pack.



Teacher's Manual



Student Book



Teacher/Student Combo

How is the new version of *Ancient History-Based Writing Lessons* different from the previous version?

- This new, sixth edition of Ancient History-Based Writing aligns better with Teaching Writing: Structure and Style (TWSS).
- Units 5, 6, & 8 have been improved to align more fully with TWSS.
- NEW source texts are higher quality and complement each structural unit.
- Problematic stories on Hinduism, Buddhism, and Confucianism have been removed.
- As with the U.S. History-Based text, the Student Resource Packet (SRP) is not needed, meaning fewer resources to juggle.
- MLA Format, Mechanics, and Critique Thesaurus are included in the appendix.
- Free, downloadable files containing optional Simplified Source Texts and Advanced Additions are included, giving the parent-teacher options for tailoring his or her student's learning.

Do Essentials families need to purchase both the Teacher's Manual and the Student Book versions of *Ancient History-Based Writing Lessons*?

- It is highly recommended that parents purchase the Teacher's Manual to assist them with teaching the lessons to their child(ren).
- Families need to purchase the Student Book. Copyright allows families to make copies from the Student Book for use by multiple children within their own family.

What other IEW resources are needed for Essentials?

- Each family needs to have the *Teaching Writing: Structure and Style* Workbook, which is the parent's manual for teaching structure and style.
- The Ancient History-Based Writing Lessons text is designed to be used by a teaching parent who has watched or is currently viewing the Teaching Writing: Structure and Style videos. Each Essentials community has the TWSS DVDs to share with families at in-person viewings or to lend to parents.