

# **“I Can” Common Core!**

1st Grade Language

**I can use proper English  
when I write and speak.**

**I can print my uppercase  
and lowercase letters.**

**L.1.1**

**I can use common,  
proper and  
possessive nouns.**

**L.1.1**

**I can use singular and  
plural nouns with the  
right verb.**

**L.1.1**

**I can use pronouns.**

***(I, me, my, they,  
them, their)***

**L.1.1**

**I can use adjectives and  
adverbs correctly.**

**L.1.1**

**I can use past, present,  
and future tense verbs.**

**L.1.1**

**I can use adjectives.**

**L.1.1**



**I can use conjunctions.**

***(and, but, or,  
so, because)***

**L.1.1**

**I can use determiners.**

***(a, the, this, that,***

***my, many, few)***

**L.1.1**

**I can make simple and  
compound sentences.**

**L.1.1**

**I can make telling and  
asking sentences.**

**L.1.1**

**I can capitalize dates  
and names of people.**

**L.1.2**

**I can punctuate  
sentences.**

**L.1.2**

**I can use commas  
in dates.**

**L.1.2**

**I can use commas when  
writing groups of 3.**

**L.1.2**



**I can spell  
first grade words.**

**L.1.2**

**I can use what I know  
about phonics to spell  
new words.**

**L.1.2**

**I can figure out what  
words mean and use  
them in different  
situations.**

**I can use context clues  
to help me understand a  
new word or words.**

**L.1.4**

**I can use the beginnings  
and endings of words to  
help me figure out what  
a new word means.**

**L.1.4**

**I can use root words to  
help me learn new words.**

**L.1.4**

**I can understand how  
word endings change the  
meaning of a word  
just a little.**

**L.1.4**

**I can sort words  
into categories.**

**L.1.5**



**I can tell why words  
belong in categories.**

**L.1.5**

**I can tell how words are  
used in real-life.**

***(My bed is cozy.)***

**L.1.5**

**I can tell the difference  
between similar verbs.**

**L.1.5**

**I can use words like  
“because” to help me  
explain.**

**L.1.6**