



Writing IEP Goals and Short-term Objectives Using the NM Content Standards and Benchmarks

Example 1:

Annual Goal:

Student will improve his written expression skills from grade 3 to grade 4 on the NM Performance Standards using direct instruction (Language Arts Standard II)

Short-term Objectives:

1. Given a narrative written task, student will compose two or more paragraphs which each include a topic sentence, supporting details, and logical sequence with 100% accuracy.
2. Given a narrative written task, student will write at least 10 simple and 4 compound sentences with 80% accuracy.
3. Given a sample of writing, student will differentiate between regular and irregular verbs with 80% accuracy.

Example 2:

Annual Goal:

Student will improve her reading skills from grade 2 to grade 3 on the NM performance Standards using direct instruction and Accelerated Reading (LA Standard I)

Short-term Objectives:

1. Given a list of ten new words from the third grade reader, student will decode the words orally with 80% accuracy.
2. Given a third grade level story, student will read aloud at a rate of 40 words per minute with no more than 5 errors.
3. After reading a third grade level story, student will answer four out of five literal comprehension questions.