Alternative Instructional Strategies - Level 6 TBYB Sample

Level 6 - Lesson 15 Subject/ Verb Agreement	 It may be helpful during these activities to have the student read sentences aloud to help them "hear" the correct subject/verb agreement. Day 2: Explain to the student that "singular verbs" that go with "singular nouns" often end in 's'. For example: Dogs bark. And "plural verbs" that go with "plural nouns" don't usually end in 's'. For example: My dog barks.
Level 6 - Lesson 41 Personal Narrative: Transitions	 Add the list of common transitions to the Writer's Notebook. For additional practice, provide student with a list of tasks needed to complete a process (Ex: baking cookies or catching a fish). Have the student put the tasks in chronological order, then add transitions to make the directions clear.
Level 6 - Lesson 43 Personal Narrative: Dialogue, Part 2	 Add the "Basic Guidelines for Writing Dialogue" to the Writer's Notebook. Allow the student to mark proofreading marks within the paragraph provided to correct the paragraph rather than having him/her rewrite the paragraph. Have the student read each passage to be corrected and highlight "the words that came out of a character's mouth." This may help them to identify and correctly punctuate dialogue.
Level 6 - Lesson 44 Personal Narrative: Introduction	 Join the student, or complete the brainstorm activity as a group/family, to help generate multiple ideas for the writing topic, then narrow it down to the best choice. The prompt may be changed to one of more interest or relevance to the student. For additional practice, provide the student with several excerpts from fiction and nonfiction texts. Have the student identify the audience and purpose (entertain, inform, persuade, etc.)
Level 6 - Lesson 46 Personal Narrative: Draft	 Student may draft composition on the computer. Transitions may be added, after the first draft is completed, during the revision exercise. Assessment Resource Book: Personal Narrative Planners & Checklist