

# Appendix I

## Essential Word Lists

### Essential List 1

(10 Words; 25% of Writing)

a	it	was
and	my	we
I	the	
in	to	

### Essential List 2

(20 Words; 15% of Writing)

at	me	there
but	of	they
for	on	up
got	she	went
had	so	when
he	that	you
is	then	

### Essential List 3

(30 Words; 10% of Writing)

about	down	like
after	get	mum
all	go	not
are	going	one
as	have	our
back	her	out
be	his	said
because	home	some
came	into	were
day	just	with

### Essential List 4

(50 Words; 10% of Writing)

again	house	school
an	if	see
around	little	started
big	next	their
by	night	them
can	no	this
come	now	time
could	off	took
dad	old	two
did	only	us
do	or	very
first	other	well
food	over	what
from	people	will
good	put	would
has	ran	your
him	saw	

### Essential List 5

(50 Words; 5% of Writing)

am	heard	something
another	here	still
away	know	thing
bed	last	think
been	left	thought
before	long	three
best	looked	through
brother	made	told
called	man	too
car	more	walked
door	morning	want
everyone	name	way
family	never	where
five	once	which
found	play	who
friend	really	year
fun	room	

**Essential List 6**

(70 Words; 5% of Writing)

also	head	ride
always	hit	right
asked	how	run
black	I'll	say
boy	I'm	sister
bus	inside	sleep
cat	it's	suddenly
coming	its	take
cool	jump	tell
dark	knew	ten
decided	later	top
dog	life	town
eat	live	tree
end	lot	turned
even	lunch	until
every	make	wanted
eyes	minutes	water
fell	most	while
felt	much	why
find	nice	window
four	opened	woke
gave	outside	yes
getting	place	
great	ready	

**Essential List 7**

(60 Words; 3% of Writing)

any	finished	parents
baby	game	picked
bad	girl	playing
ball	gone	presents
being	ground	road
bit	guard	side
boat	hand	small
bought	happened	sometimes
camp	happy	soon
dead	help	stay
died	hole	stop
doing	hot	swimming
each	hour	tea
ever	let	than
everything	look	tried
face	many	under
fast	money	wait
father	mother	won
few	myself	work
finally	new	world

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