**4th Grade ELA Curriculum for Students with Aphantasia**

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**Week 1: Expanding Sentences**

* **Focus**: Complex Sentences
* **Activity**: Expand simple sentences into more complex ones, using specific details and actions.

**Week 2: Detailed Descriptions**

* **Focus**: Describing People
* **Activity**: Write a detailed description of a friend or family member, including physical traits and actions.

**Week 3: Writing About Places**

* **Focus**: Setting Details
* **Activity**: Write a detailed description of a favorite place, including sensory details and specific features.

**Week 4: Writing Procedures**

* **Focus**: Clear Instructions
* **Activity**: Write a set of instructions for a task, focusing on clarity and sensory details.

**Week 5: Emotional Narratives**

* **Focus**: Expressing Emotions
* **Activity**: Write a narrative about a personal experience involving a strong emotion, focusing on detailed actions and feelings.

**Week 6: Object Comparisons**

* **Focus**: Comparing and Contrasting
* **Activity**: Write a detailed comparison of two objects, focusing on physical features and functions.

**Week 7: Character Stories**

* **Focus**: Developing Characters
* **Activity**: Write a story featuring a well-developed character, including traits, actions, and interactions.

**Week 8: Descriptive Paragraphs**

* **Focus**: Enhancing Details
* **Activity**: Write a descriptive paragraph about a memorable event or place, using sensory details and concrete language.

**Week 9: Writing Reviews**

* **Focus**: Opinion Writing
* **Activity**: Write a review of a book, movie, or game, including detailed descriptions and personal opinions.

**Week 10: Writing About Hobbies**

* **Focus**: Detailed Hobbies
* **Activity**: Write about a hobby or activity, focusing on specific actions, feelings, and sensory experiences.

**Week 11: Writing About Events**

* **Focus**: Event Recounting
* **Activity**: Write a detailed account of a recent event, including specific descriptions and sensory information.

**Week 12: Sensory Poems**

* **Focus**: Poetry and Sensory Writing
* **Activity**: Write a poem that incorporates sensory details from a personal experience.

**Week 13: Action-Based Writing**

* **Focus**: Describing Actions
* **Activity**: Write a story or paragraph focusing on different actions, using vivid, concrete details.

**Week 14: Describing Nature**

* **Focus**: Nature Writing
* **Activity**: Write about a natural setting, including sensory details like texture, sound, and smell.

**Week 15: Character Traits**

* **Focus**: Detailed Character Development
* **Activity**: Write a story that highlights a character’s traits and how they impact the plot.

**Week 16: Creating Settings**

* **Focus**: Setting Descriptions
* **Activity**: Write a detailed description of a setting, focusing on sensory details and concrete features.

**Week 17: Narrative Writing**

* **Focus**: Developing Stories
* **Activity**: Write a short story with a clear plot and detailed descriptions, using skills learned throughout the year.

**Week 18: Descriptive Writing**

* **Focus**: Enhancing Descriptions
* **Activity**: Choose a topic and write a detailed descriptive paragraph, including sensory details.

**Week 19: Writing Instructions**

* **Focus**: Detailed Procedural Writing
* **Activity**: Write step-by-step instructions for a task or recipe, including sensory details to guide the reader.

**Week 20: Writing About Emotions**

* **Focus**: Expressing Feelings
* **Activity**: Write about a personal experience involving a strong emotion, focusing on specific actions and sensory details.

**Week 21: Story Mapping**

* **Focus**: Story Planning
* **Activity**: Use a graphic organizer to plan and write a detailed story with a clear structure, including sensory descriptions.

**Week 22: Writing Reviews**

* **Focus**: Opinion Writing
* **Activity**: Write a review of a book, movie, or game, including detailed descriptions and personal opinions.

**Week 23: Story Development**

* **Focus**: Expanding Stories
* **Activity**: Write a short story with detailed descriptions of characters and settings, focusing on sensory details.

**Week 24: Creating Complex Characters**

* **Focus**: Character Development
* **Activity**: Write a story featuring a complex character with detailed traits and actions.

**Week 25: Sensory-Based Poetry**

* **Focus**: Poetic Sensory Writing
* **Activity**: Write a poem about a sensory experience, using detailed descriptions and concrete language.

**Week 26: Reflection and Review**

* **Focus**: Consolidating Skills
* **Activity**: Write a reflective piece about what they’ve learned throughout the year, incorporating concrete examples and sensory details.