

COMPOSITION 11
CHALLENGE 1

Name _____

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Answer _____

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Answer _____

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Answer _____

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Answer _____

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**ENGLISH 11
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Answer **BASEBALL CATCHER AND UMPIRE**

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Answer **CARL WILL LOSE**

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Answer **THERE IS A DAUGHTER, MOTHER, AND GRANDMOTHER**