ESL Level 3 Grammar

Description of level 3:

• Level 3 is designed for students who are able to communicate in English, but with some difficulty. Level 3 emphasizes the difference between present tense and present continuous tense, and sets the groundwork for more complex grammatical forms.

Things to work on with the student throughout the quarter: (Reading)

- Recognize most standard words on a personal information form (schedules, calendars, etc.).
- Locate a word, number, or item in alphabetical or numeric order.
- Apply sound/symbol relationship to decode common words occurring sentences and questions.
- Read short text on familiar topics with clear structure.

(Writing)

- Write simple notes and messages.
- Use common English spelling rules in writing.
- Write statements (affirmative and negative) and questions using simple present and present progressive.
- Edit (after guided practice) subject-verb agreement, verb tense and form and punctuation with difficulty.

(Speaking and Listening)

- State personal information and interests in a job, life-skill or social situation.
- Respond appropriately to simple requests for more information or clarification.
- Understand and respond to classroom instructions and activities.
- Identify and use new vocabulary and familiar words in short listening passages.

Listen to brief conversations or readings for pertinent information.

<u>Grammar Points</u>	<u>Examples</u>
Simple sentences	I am from Somalia; My name is Maria.
Yes/no questions & Wh– questions	Are you a student?; Who is our teacher?
Simple present—BE	He is a doctor; They are students.
Simple present—other verbs	We like spaghetti; I take the bus to school.
Present Continuous Tense	She is reading a book; They are listening to music.
Subject pronouns	I, you, she, he, it, we, they
Demonstratives	This book; that girl
Prepositions	On, in, out
There is/there are	There is a book on the table; There are museums in my country

Count/non-count nouns	Sisters; air; cars; ocean