

Lesson 1

Interactive writing



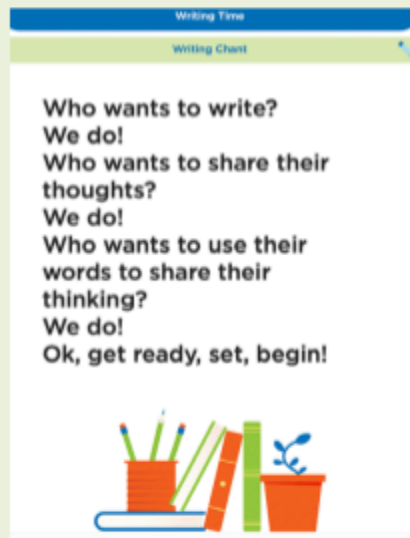
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We are going to sing our Writing Chart. “Who wants to write? We do! Who wants to share thoughts? We do! Who wants to use their words to share their thinking? We do! Ok, get ready, set, begin!”

Sing the chant with students 1-2 times.



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SAY

Today during Writing Time, we are going to explore narrative writing. Narrative writing is when you write about one event in the correct order and give some details about it. For example, you might write a narrative piece on when you went on vacation to the beach or played at the playground. Give me a thumbs up if this sounds good to you! In Unit Four, we are going to read stories on the topic, *Working Together*, and explore this guiding question: How can we understand each other and work together?



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Wait until students give a thumbs up to confirm they understand. If students have a thumbs down, you can restate the previous comment about opinion writing and/or give other examples.



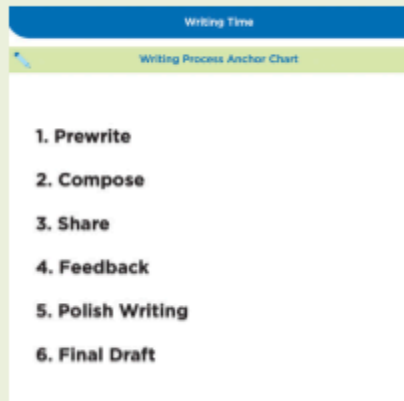
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We are going to spend this week practicing writing a narrative about an event that we experienced like the characters in our stories this week. We can use the information in our stories to show us how to explain one event and use details to tell about it. The writing process helps us learn the steps we can take to do our very best writing. This process is: 1. Prewrite, 2. Compose, 3. Share, 4. Feedback, 5. Polish Writing, 6. Final Draft. After your writing is finalized, we are going to congratulate each other with a celebration of our learning. So, let's look at the **Writing Process Anchor Chart** and review together.

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Complete a review of the Six Step Writing Process. Use thumb-o-meter or another Check for Understanding strategy to ensure students understand the overall process.



SAY

Now we are going to zoom in on the first step, Prewrite. During this step we are going to think about our audience, message we want to give, and why our message is important. Let's do this together. Our narrative writing piece will be about a time you worked together with a family member or a friend. What do you think our audience, message, and purpose is?



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Listen in as students share to check for their understanding. If you notice any misconceptions, you can refocus students when they are finished sharing.

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Awesome, I heard some really great ideas. I heard that the audience can be children like you, parents, family members, and other adults. I also heard that our message is to provide information about events we've experienced and use details to describe them. I also heard that this is important because learning about each other helps everyone feel included and safe.



As you are sharing what you heard students say (feel free to add in other thoughts that align), add them to the **Prewrite Graphic Organizer/Anchor Chart**.



Now we are going to take our thoughts from the **Prewrite Graphic Organizer/Anchor Chart** to write a sample narrative writing piece together. Pay attention to the steps we are taking. You will have a chance to write your own narrative writing piece for the rest of the week. We will have four sentences.

The first sentence will state our topic. [*Ask students to share and land on an idea together.*] (One day I went to the beach and I was so happy!)

The second sentence will give details about the first event in the story.

[*Ask students to share and land on an idea together.*] (I helped my mom pack the car.)

The third sentence will give details about the event in the story. [*Ask students to share and land on an idea together.*] (When we got to the beach we played in the sand.)

The last sentence will share one more event in the story and reaction. [*Ask students to share and land on an idea together.*] (We were tired at the end of the day.)

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Write the narrative writing piece (with corresponding pictures that match text) as you are sharing the four types of sentences. Then, read the narrative writing piece to students.



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Do you agree with our ideas and the words we used in our narrative writing piece? Give me a thumbs up or raise your hand to share other ideas to change the narrative writing piece.



DO

Revise the writing piece as needed. Ensure all students were able to share either with a partner or the full group.



SAY

When we look at the narrative writing piece, what do we notice about the words we used?



DO

Give space for students to share with partner and then full group.



SAY

Yes, we used our topic. We also made sure that our sentences started with a capital letter and ended with an ending punctuation. We did an awesome job today! Next time we meet, you will get started on your very own narrative writing piece!

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Ask staff, parents, and other special guests to join the class on the last day of the unit for a Special Celebration of Learning of students' narrative writing pieces!