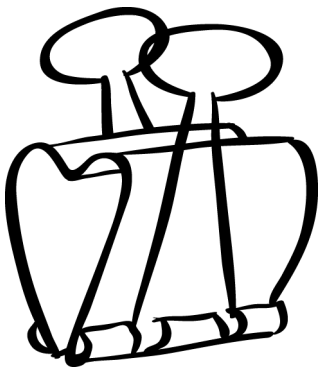
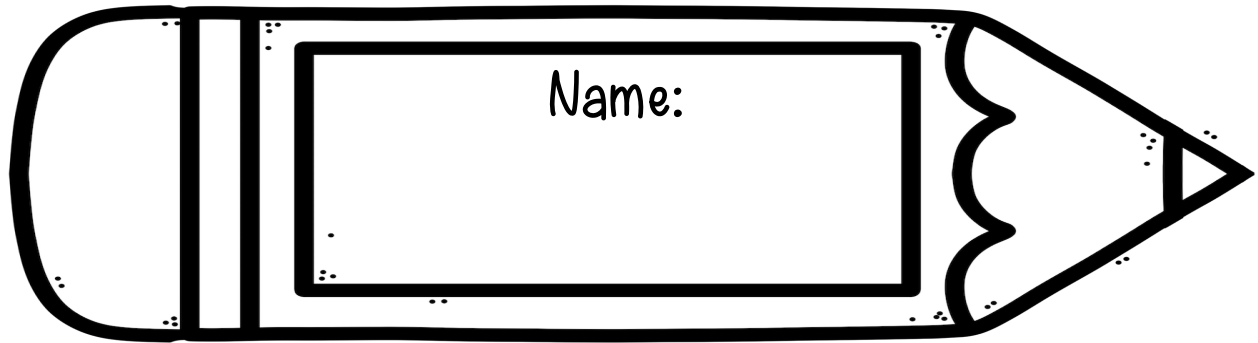


TOP SCORE WRITING

STUDENT

PORTFOLIO

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Pre-Test

Name: _____

Before you begin to write, think about your favorite subject in school.

Now explain why you like this one subject so much.

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Partner Practice

Name: _____

I _____

R1 _____

R2 _____

R3 _____

C _____

Independent Practice

Name: _____

Directions: Plan for the following prompt.

***Everyone has a favorite animal. Think about your favorite animal.
Now explain why this animal is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

R2 _____

R3 _____

C _____

Guided Practice

Name: _____

Directions: Plan for the following prompt.

***Everyone has a favorite movie. Think about your favorite movie.
Now explain why this movie is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Skill Check

Name: _____

Directions: Plan for the following prompt.

***We all have a favorite sport. Think about your favorite sport.
Now explain why this sport is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Hooks Sheet

Different Types of Hooks

1. Question
2. Restate the prompt
3. Onomatopoeia
4. Riddle

Prompt:

*Everyone has a favorite animal. Think of your favorite animal.
Now explain why this animal is your favorite.*

Question Hook: Do you have a favorite animal?

Restate the Prompt: Everyone has a favorite animal.

Onomatopoeia Hook: Woof! Woof! Those are some of the sounds you might hear from my favorite animal.

Riddle: What animal is cute and cuddly and is a boy's best companion? A dog!

Guided Practice

Name: _____

“I” Paragraph

*Everyone has a favorite holiday. Think about your favorite holiday.
Now explain why this holiday is your favorite.*

I _____

R1 _____ a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____ a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____ a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Now write the “I” paragraph:

Skill Check

Name: _____

“I” Paragraph

*Everyone has a favorite subject. Think about your favorite subject.
Now explain why this subject is your favorite.*

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Now write the “I” paragraph:

Student Practice/Homework

Name: _____

***Everyone has a favorite place. Think about your favorite place.
Now explain why this place is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

I**R1****R2**

R3

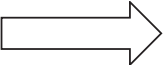
C

Independent Practice

Name: _____

R2 Practice

Here is the planning for the essay. You are only writing the R2 paragraph for this assignment.

I. favorite season – winter	
R1. snow	a. snow days b. cold
	R2. outdoors a. sledding b. skiing
R3. indoors	a. fireplace b. board games
C. favorite season – winter	

“I” Paragraph and R1 are done for you!**“I” Paragraph**

Do you get excited when you start to see the leaves fall off the trees and the air become crisp and cold? I do! This means it’s becoming wintertime. Winter is the best season because there is a lot of snow, great activities to do outdoors, and several activities you can do indoors. Winter is an enjoyable season!

R1

To begin with, I like winter because there is a lot of snow. Some days during the winter, so much snow falls that school is canceled, which is called a snow day. When there is a snow day, it is so much fun because everyone in my neighborhood goes outside to have a huge snowball fight. We make humongous snowmen and snow angels. Also, when snow falls, it means it is very cold outside. We have to bundle up with coats, hats, scarves, and gloves. Being cold in the winter is so much better than being hot in the summer!

R2 (Remember you need your “T” sentence, 3 about A, and 3 about B.)

Skill Check

Name: _____

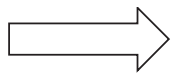
R3 Practice

Here is the planning for the essay. You are only writing the R3 paragraph for this assignment.

I. favorite season – winter

R1. snow a. snow days
 b. cold

R2. outdoors a. sledding
 b. skiing



R3. indoors a. fireplace b. board games

C. favorite season – winter

Write a topic sentence, 3 sentences about A (fireplace) and 3 sentences about B (board games).

R3

Skill Check

Name: _____

***Everyone has a favorite book. Think about your favorite book.
Now explain why this book is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Skill Check

Name: _____

I

R1

R2

Skill Check

Name: _____

R3

C

Self-Check

Name: _____

Directions: Read over your essays from yesterday. As you go through each paragraph, check off if you have the items listed on the checklist.

- “I” Paragraph
 - 3 sentences
 - Hook _____
 - 3 reasons _____
 - Closing statement _____

- R1
 - Transition word _____
 - “T” sentence _____
 - 3 sentences about A _____
 - 3 sentences about B _____
 - 7 sentences _____

- R2
 - Transition word _____
 - “T” sentence _____
 - 3 sentences about A _____
 - 3 sentences about B _____
 - 7 sentences _____

- R3
 - Transition word _____
 - “T” sentence _____
 - 3 sentences about A _____
 - 3 sentences about B _____
 - 7 sentences _____

- “C” Paragraph

Revision

Name: _____

I

R1

R2

R3

C

Additional Assignment

Name: _____

***Everyone has a favorite food. Think about your favorite food.
Now explain why this food is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

R3

C

Independent Practice

Name: _____

“C” Paragraph

*Everyone has a favorite holiday. Think about your favorite holiday.
Now explain why this holiday is your favorite.*

I _____

R1 _____ a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____ a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____ a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Now write the “C” paragraph:

Skill Check

Name: _____

“C” Paragraph

*Everyone has a favorite book. Think about your favorite book.
Now explain why this book is your favorite.*

I _____

R1 _____ a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____ a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____ a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Now write the “C” paragraph:

Post-Test

Name: _____

***Everyone has a favorite day of the week. Think about your favorite day of the week.
Now explain why this day is your favorite.***

I _____

R1 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R2 _____

a. _____

b. _____

R3 _____

a. _____

b. _____

C _____

Post-Test

Name: _____

Post-Test

Name: _____

[illegible]

Name: _____

[illegible]

Non-Text-Based Expository Checklist

Name: _____

Checking Your Paper

_____ 5 paragraphs

_____ Indent 5 times

I

_____ 3 sentences

_____ 1. Hook

_____ 2. 3 reasons

_____ 3. Closing statement

R1

_____ Transition Word

_____ “T” sentence

_____ 3 sentences about A

_____ 3 sentences about B

_____ “W” sentence

_____ 8 sentences

R2

_____ Transition Word

_____ “T” sentence

_____ 3 sentences about A

_____ 3 sentences about B

_____ “W” sentence

_____ 8 sentences

R3

_____ Transition Word

_____ “T” sentence

_____ 3 sentences about A

_____ 3 sentences about B

_____ “W” sentence

_____ 8 sentences

C

_____ 3 reasons

_____ Thought and/or feeling

_____ Ending sentence