

Write On!

A weekly writing page for K-8 students



Writing Prompts

Best Book or Series

Tell us about the best book (or series) you've ever read. Include the title, the author and at least three reasons why you like this book (or series) the best.

Deadline: Jan. 5

Publication Date: Jan. 19

Snowed in!

If school were canceled because of snow, how would you spend your day?

Deadline: Jan. 12

Publication Date: Jan. 26

Most Courageous

Describe a situation in which you showed courage.

Deadline: Jan. 19

Publication Date: Feb. 2

Valentine's Day

Write a Valentine's Day message to someone you love or like a lot.

Deadline: Jan. 26

Publication Date: Feb. 9

Advice to the President

President's Day is Feb. 19. What advice would you give to President Trump after his first year in office?

Deadline: Feb. 2

Publication Date: Feb. 16

Alliteration

Write a sentence where all or most of the words start with the first letter of your first name. Use your name in the sentence.

Example: William writes words wonderfully.

Deadline: Feb. 9

Publication Date: Feb. 23

Field Trip

If you could plan a field trip for your class any place in the world, where would you like to go? Why?

Deadline: Feb. 16

Publication Date: March 2

Simile Writing

Describe yourself in three sentences. Each sentence must contain a simile.

Example: *I run as fast as a cheetah. I am as tall as a tree. I am as sweet as apple pie.*

Deadline: Feb. 23

Publication Date: March 9

My Life

If you could change one thing about your life, what would you change? If you like your life just the way it is, what do you like the best?

Deadline: March 2

Publication Date: March 16

Good Judgment

Describe a situation in which you used good judgment.

Deadline: March 9

Publication Date: March 23

Angry

What really makes me angry is . . .

Deadline: March 16

Publication Date: March 30

My Talent

What do you think is your best talent? (Talent isn't limited to dancing, singing or sports think about other things you do best.)

Deadline: March 23

Publication Date: April 6

My Grandparents

Why are your grandparents an important part of your life? If you do not have grandparents, write about a person who is like a grandparent.

Deadline: March 30

Publication Date: April 13

Finish this story starter:

I hope . . .

Deadline: April 6

Publication Date: April 20

Perseverance

Write about a time when you showed perseverance.

Deadline: April 13

Publication Date: April 27

Teacher Thank You Note

Write a thank you note to a teacher you appreciate this year.

Deadline: April 20

Publication Date: May 4

Marvelous Moms

Write a Mother's Day message to your mom or another important woman in your life (grandmother, aunt, coach, teacher, etc.)

Deadline: April 27

Publication Date: May 11

Most Memorable Day of School

Thinking back on this school year, what was the most memorable day? Why?

Deadline: May 4

Publication Date: May 18

Most Important Lesson

What is the most important lesson you learned in school this year? How do you think this lesson will help you in the future?

Deadline: May 11

Publication Date: May 25

My Summer Plans

What are you looking most forward to doing during your summer break?

Deadline: May 18

Publication Date: June 1

Fabulous Fathers

Write a Father's Day message to your dad or another important man in your life (grandfather, uncle, coach, teacher, etc.).

Deadline: May 25

Publication Date: June 8

"Write On!" Guidelines

"Write On!" is published every Friday in the Times-News

1. Keep the length of your story to 100 words or less. Double space if typed or skip a line if handwritten.
2. Use correct grammar, punctuation, spelling and capitalization.
3. Follow directions for the writing topic. Creativity is welcome -but please address the topic.
4. Make sure your entry is legible.
5. Your first and last name (or last initial), school and grade should be included with your entry.
6. Your entry must meet the deadline to be considered for publication.
7. If sending entry by e-mail, type entry (entries) in the body of the e-mail. Do not send it as an attachment. Use "WRITE ON" as the subject so we don't miss it.

**** TEACHERS - submit only the best four or five entries from your class, not an entire class set. We will select at least one to publish.**

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