

Be a Bold Writer!

Why does writing with detail matter? Great writers help readers picture, hear, and feel what's happening. When you use strong, specific words and describe what you see, hear, feel, taste, and think, your writing becomes exciting and fun to read. You are the storyteller; make your story come alive with powerful vocabulary and colorful details!

What Makes a Great Sentence?

Great sentences:

- Start with a capital letter
- End with punctuation (. ! ?)
- Include a noun (a person, place, or thing)
- Include a verb (an action word)
- Use adjectives to describe
- Use specific words to paint a picture for the reader
- Use transition words to show the order of events or linking words to connect ideas

Remember: Good stories use strong vocabulary and clear, fun details that help your reader imagine everything!

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Let's Compare: What Kind of Sentences Should We Write?

Example A (Too simple): "The food was good. I liked it."

Example B (More descriptive and fun to read!): "The cheesy, crispy taco crunched when I bit it. I loved the spicy beef and fresh lettuce. It was messy but so delicious!"

Why is Example B better?

- It paints a picture in the reader's mind.
- It shows what happened with action (verbs).
- It uses describing words (adjectives).
- It has more than one sentence with details.

Here's Your Writing Checklist! Use This to Be a Bold Writer!

Did I ...

- Start each sentence with a capital letter?
- Use punctuation at the end of each sentence?
- Write 3 to 5 complete sentences?
- Use at least 2 adjectives (describing words)?
- Use at least 2 verbs (action words)?
- Add details to help the reader imagine what happened?

Practice Writing!

In your writing, be sure to:

- Write in complete sentences.
- Include an introduction and conclusion.
- Use **transition words** to show the order of steps or **linking words** to connect ideas. The **Word Bank** includes a list of words. You should use some of these words in your writing, but you don't need to use them all.
- Use at **least 1 verb**, **1 noun**, and **1 adjective** from the Word Bank.
- There are some empty spaces in the word bank. Use those spaces to add your own words. If you don't see a verb, noun, or adjective you want to use, go ahead and write your own!

Now write your own stories on the following pages! Remember to use this writing checklist to check your writing.

My Writing Checklist

Did I ...

Start each sentence with a capital letter?

Use punctuation at the end of each sentence?

Write 3 to 5 complete sentences?

Use at least 2 adjectives (describing words)?

Use at least 2 verbs (action words)?

Add details to help the reader imagine what happened?

Explain a Process

Write a story explaining how to make one of your favorite foods.

Beginning

Middle

End

Word Bank

Transition Words

Beginning:

- First
- In the beginning
- At first

Middle:

- Second
- Then
- Next
- Later

End:

- Third
- Lastly
- Finally
- In conclusion

Verbs

- cook
- boil
- mix
- scoop
- taste
- _____
- _____

Nouns

- cheese
- rice
- pan
- plate
- veggies
- _____
- _____

Adjectives

- crispy
- spicy
- delicious
- sticky
- tasty
- juicy
- _____
- _____

Write About an Experience

Write a story about a time when you learned something new.

Beginning

Middle

End

Word Bank

Transition Words

Beginning:

- First
- In the beginning
- At first

Middle:

- Second
- Then
- Next
- Later

End:

- Third
- Lastly
- Finally
- In conclusion

Verbs

- swim
- kick
- bake
- practice
- pedal
- balance
- _____
- _____

Nouns

- bike
- swimsuit
- cookies
- sneakers
- game
- _____
- _____

Adjectives

- brave
- yummy
- tricky
- fun
- proud
- _____
- _____

Express an Opinion

What is your favorite animal? Explain why in your story.

Beginning

Middle

End

Word Bank

Linking Words

- and
- another
- because
- for example
- _____
- _____

Verbs

- run
- jump
- swim
- climb
- fly
- _____
- _____

Nouns

- fur
- claws
- whiskers
- forest
- tail
- _____
- _____

Adjectives

- friendly
- colorful
- scaly
- fast
- loud
- _____
- _____

My Story

Add words to the word bank. Then write your own story!

Beginning

Middle

End

Word Bank

Transition Words

Beginning:

- First
- In the beginning
- At first

Middle:

- Second
- Then
- Next
- Later

End:

- Third
- Lastly
- Finally
- In conclusion

Linking Words

- and
- another
- because
- for example

Verbs

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Nouns

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Adjectives

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____