

580 -Writing Prompts Procedure

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Grades K-2

Students in grades Kindergarten through second will complete 3 writing prompts, one at the end of each trimester. Each prompt will be an untimed, independent, cold write. No rubrics will be given. Trimester 1 will be an Informative-Narrative prompt; trimester 2 will be an Informative writing, and Trimester 3 will be a Narrative. The same prompt will be given across each grade level. The original writing will be kept in the End-of-Year folder to be used by the following years teachers.

Grades 3-5

Students in grades three through five will complete 3 writing prompts, one at the end of each trimester. Each prompt will be an independent, cold write given over a 45 minute time period. No rubrics will be given. Trimester 1 will be an Opinion prompt; trimester 2 will be an Informative writing, and Trimester 3 will be an Opinion prompt. The same prompt will be given across each grade level. The original writing will be kept in the End-of-Year folder to be used by the following years teachers.

Grades 6-8

Students in grades six through eight will complete 3 writing prompts, one at the end of each trimester. Each prompt will be an independent, cold write given over a 60 minute time period. A rubric will be given before students begin their writing. Trimester 1 will be an Informative prompt; Trimester 2 will be an Argumentative writing, and Trimester 3 will be a Narrative with Dialogue. The same prompt will be given across each grade level. The original writing will be kept in the End-of-Year folder to be used by the following year's teachers.