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# WRITING - 1

Writing Curriculum Personal Narrative			
Content =	Skills =	Assessment =	Resources =
Unit of Study (Personal Narrative)	Instructional Focus	Instructional Resources	Key Vocabulary
In this unit of study, students will learn how to generate ideas through the reading of mentor texts. Students will explore the importance of storytelling and writing as means of communication. Students will also learn to share their stories.  As students learn to write personal narratives in this unit of study, they will discover how to capture a small moment in their lives and describe it in detail through their writing. Students will appropriately sequence their narratives	Lesson Topics:  O What is a Personal Narrative? W.1.3 What is a small moment? W.1.8, SL.1.4 Sequencing events: beginning, middle, end W.1.3 Temporal words/transitional words W.1.3 Adding details W.1.5, Modeling Closing sentence W.1.3 Conventions and Grammar	Marvelous Mini lessons for Teaching Beginning Writing, K-3 • Small Moment: Writing Ideas Bingo 46-49 • 3-2-1 Planner pg. 65  No More I'm Done • Writing from Memories pg. 58- 59 • Focus Web: Narrowing down your ideas: pg 66 • Sentence Stretching Pg 98	Narrative Beginning Middle End Topic sentence Closing sentence Lead/hook Transition words (first, next, then, last) Sequence of events Question words (who, what, when, where) Details

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with a beginning, middle, and end, and will begin to use transition words.

APPROXIMATE TIMEFRAME:

\*\*Address conventions and grammar throughout the unit

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December 2015

Writing Curriculum (How-To Writing)

## Writing Curriculum (Letter Writing) Content = Skills = Assessment = Resources = Unit of Study (Letter Writing) Instructional Focus Instructional Resources Key Vocabulary Lesson Topics: " What is a letter? W.1.3, CCRA.W.4 " Purpose of letter " Parts of a Letter (date/heading, greeting/salutation, body, closing, signature) Heading (date) Greeting Body Closing Signature Structure Author's Purpose Students will be introduced to letter writing as a form of communication. They will learn that letters can be written for many purposes such as to invite, share information, thank, or persuade. Marvelous Mini lessons for Teaching Beginning Writing, K-3 • Count the Words pg. 115-116 • Five-Finger Planner pg. 59 In this unit of study, students will learn specifically about writing a friendly letter with the correct format (date, salutation, body, closing, signature). Conventions and Grammar \* Address conventions and grammar throughout the unit No More I'm Done • Sensory Details pg. 59 • Focus Web pg. 66 **APPROXIMATE TIMEFRAME:** 3-4 weeks • Adding Details pg. 63 Introducing Voice pg. 83 Sentence Stretching pg. 98 Mastering the Mechanics K-1 Thank You Letters pg. 138 Writing a Persuasive Letter pg. 148 **Explorations in Nonfiction Writing:** • Friendly Letter Pg 264 Mentor Text Ideas: The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt I Wanna Iguana by Karen Kaufman Orloff I Wanna New Room by Karen Kaufman Orloff Dear Mr. Blueberry by Simon James The Jolly Old Postman by Allan Ahlberg Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type by Doreen Cronin Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters from Obedience School by Mark Teague February 2016

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Content = Unit of Study (How-To Writing) In this unit of study, children will be introduced to the how-to genre within the explanatory/informational mode of writing. They will be transitioning from personal narrative writing to writing shared and personal how-to texts. Students will write with a particular audience in mind, providing explicit details and careful sequencing to allow the reader to successfully complete

This unit begins with many explicit teacher directed lessons, but is designed to be a gradual release to independent writing.

It will begin with time to explore published how-to texts, allowing students to notice some common conventions of this genre.

# **APPROXIMATE TIMEFRAME:** 4-6

Skills = Instructional Focus

### **Lesson Topics:**

- Purpose of How-To writing W.1.2
- Select Topic W.1.2
- · Sequencing events W.1.2
- Use of
- Temporal/transition words W.1.2
- Participate in shared research (explore a topic) W.1.7

### Conventions and Grammar

Address conventions and grammar throughout the unit

Assessment = Instructional Resources

Marvelous Mini lessons for Teaching Beginning Writing, K-3
• Linking Words pg. 96
• Revising as You Write pg.

- Cutting and Sorting pg. 160 Pushing In pg. 152

No More I'm Done
• Staying on Track pg. 107
• Model the Use of An Organizational Structure pg. 78

- Mastering the Mechanics K-1

   Pulling It All Together:
  Danger Signs pg. 140

   Using Transition Words pg.
- Crafting Non-fiction

   Use a Logical Sequence pg. 184

   Place Labels on Illustrations pg. 52

Mentor Text Ideas: How to Ride a Giraffe by Alice Cary How to Make Salsa by Jamie Lucero How a House is Built by Gail Gibbons How to Train a Train by Jason Carter

How to Get a Girlfriend by Leo Dzuver, Alexander Hald, and Matej Crnogorac

Resources 🖃 Key Vocabulary

Research Author's purpose

Topic

Topic Sentence
Lead/hook
Sequence
Transition words (refer to transition
word document)
Details Closing sentence

March 2016

Writing Curriculum (Informational)

Content = Unit of Study (Informational- All About...)

This unit involves writing an This unit involves writing an informational text without the need to do research. Teachers will guide students to think about topics they are "experts" in, and choose their All About topic accordingly. Students will choose topics they already know about for this genre of writing. Topics such as: my family, pets, sports, hobbies, games, making friends, etc. are popular topics.

Students will write an All About Book Students Will write an All About Book that includes at least three sections with headings, a labeled diagram and/or picture with a caption, and a cover with title and author's name. This unit will utilize shared writing as guided practice as well as gradual release to independent student writing

# APPROXIMATE TIMEFRAME: 6-8 weeks (possibly divided)

Instructional Focus

## **Lesson Topics:**

- pics:
  Purpose of informational writing W.1.2
  Select a topic W.1.2
  Shared research W.1.7, W.1.8
  Add Facts/Details W.1.5
  NonFiction Text
  Features RI.1.5
  (egg glossary, beading
- (eg: glossary, heading, table of contents) Model shared closure

Conventions and Grammar

• Address conventions and grammar throughout the unit

Assessment = Instructional Focus

Marvelous Mini lessons for Teaching

- Marvelous Mini tessons for Facaning Beginning Writing, K-3

   Hook the Reader pg. 85

   Be Your Own Editor pg. 141

   Revising as You Write pg. 165

- No More I'm Done
   Voice in Informational
  Texts pg. 85
   Focus Web pg. 66

Explorations in Nonfiction Writing:
• Chapter 7: Inform
Gathering Information, Writing
Process, Caption, Diagram, Label,
Title, Index, Researching
Writing in own Words

- Crafting Nonfiction
   Create a Labeled Diagram pg.

  - 70
    Gather Information with a Key
    Word Strategy pg. 76
    Turning Notes into
    Sentences pg. 92
    Organizing with a Graphic
    Organizer pg. 192
    Use the Very Important Points
    (VIP) Strategy for Key
    Information pg. 58

Mentor Text Ideas: Amazing Animals (StoryTown) At the Crayon Fact (StoryTown) Ways People Live (StoryTown) Gail Gibbons books \*Use classroom informational texts that show text features

Topic Details

Resources =

Key Vocabulary

Facts Glossary Heading Table of contents

Table of contents
Caption
Diagram
Title
Label
Index
Research
Author's purpose
Writing in own words
Concluding sentence

May 2016

Writing Curriculum (Book Review)

Content = Unit of Study (Book Review)

In this unit students will learn to give an opinion related to a book and support it with reasons and evidence. They can state their opinion about a book and give

Skills = Instructional Focus

Lesson Topics:

Choose a book W.1.1

Name the book in your topic sentence W.1.1

Assessment = Instructional Resources

Instructional Resources:

Marvelous Mini lessons for Teaching Beginning Writing, K-3

• Hook the Reader pg.85

Sticky Dot Details pg. 57

Resources = Key Vocabulary Title

Review Focus Topic sentence Closing sentence

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evidence to support their ideas. The focus will be on analyzing the characters in the story – and giving their opinions and support of whether they thought the character was believable, likeable, interesting, or showed unique traits that make them an important part of the story. Teachers can provide examples of book reviews written by true reviewers, teachers, or other students. Before students write their own individual reviews, the class can participate in a shared writing activity for practice. For example, the class can write a book review together for a book that they have all read.

## APPROXIMATE TIMEFRAME:

- Focus your research for your audience W.1.1 Add details to strengthen writing W.1.5 Revising for organization of content W.1.5 Edit piece for correct conventions and grammar L.1.1 & L.1.2 Gather information from the book W.1.8

# Conventions and Grammar • Address conventions and grammar throughout the unit

- No More I'm Done

   Beware of the Adjectives pg. 108

   Focus and Organization pg. 78

- Mastering the Mechanics K-1
   Sticky Note Book Reviews pg. 136
   Writing a Book Summary pg. 152

Crafting Non-fiction
• Lesson 6:Use I Remember to Summarize Information pg.54/55

- Teachers Pay Teachers resources:
   Book review checklist (organizer) TPT

  - Parts of a book review (organizer) TPT
     Rate the book (organizer) TPT (use this to rate 2-3 books during prewriting to help choose the final book to review)
- book to review)

   Book review graphic organizer (title, author, summary, favorite part picture and words rating, recommendation)

   Kid Tested, Teacher Approved Student Written Book Reviews (TPT)

  \*\* include stars on final published piece to mimic a true book

Mentor Text Ideas:
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo Willems
Pete the Cat by Eric Litwin
Hey, Little Ant by Phillip Hoose
Spaghetti Book Club (online resource)
Amazon: search children's book reviews
Site: https://sites.google.com/a/jeffcoschools.us/warder-es/teacher-websites/second-grade-1/book-reviews---second-grade
Should We Have Pets? A Persuasive Text by Sylvia Lollis
\*Use any favorite classroom author study book (model as whole-class)

whole-class)

Opinion Characters Character traits Details Structure Persuade Audience Author's purpose