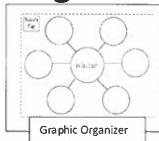


Personal Journal Writing

Outline





- -must have title and date
- -use a graphic organizer or concept map to brainstorm topics
 and paragraphs
- -have a topic sentence introducing the idea
- -have three paragraphs of writing, 5-10 sentences in length
- -sentences that support the topic and provides more detail
- -have neat printing or handwriting
- -new entries are started on a new page
- -be single spaced
- -be well organized, indented and writing to the margin
- -have a half to a full-page illustration to support the topic
- -expresses ideas, thoughts, feelings and opinions
- -underline <u>unknown spelling</u> or <u>box</u> or circle for better word choices
- -re-read when finished, re-read and correct errors or edit writing to make sense
- -use rubric or check list to self assess journal entries

Personal Journal Writing Assessments Term 1

	Above Expectations	Meeting Expectations	Beginning to Meet	Needs Work
Following Assignment Criteria: Recording topic, dates, and completing for each entry to include outlined expectations for each entry	Every journal entry has: - a full title with accurate capitalization and spelling - date correctly, written in full - has a full page of writing (5 paragraphs) minimum 300 words -is handwritten or typed neatly -has a detailed, coloured illustration that uses all the space, & is a full page	Most entries have: - an appropriate title or topic - dates - 3 paragraphs of writing -is printed neatly -is coloured neatly -has neatly coloured and detailed illustrations that supports writing (about a half of the page)	Sometimes entries have: - a title or a topic sentence introducing paragraph - date - 5-9 sentences of writing or 1 full paragraph -is printed somewhat legibly -has a tiny picture that was quickly drawn or 1/3 of the page -some are coloured -some are illustrated neatly	Entries rarely have: -topic -dates -is unorganized or difficult to read -entries are incomplete or lack more than a couple or sentences -some entries have no illustration - illustrations are not coloured or lack effor
Personal Writing Requirements: Each journal entry should only cover one theme, and have it explored through personal thoughts, feelings, and ideas. Every sentence should explore the topic.	Every journal should support the topic: -outlines personal thoughts, feelings, and explanations -ideas are provided in depth with examples -student reflects on their personal feelings, opinions, and connects to prior experiences	Entries are focused on one topic: -all the sentences support the topic -provides relevant details that cover the topic -is starting to provide more details in writing: personal thoughts, opinions, ideas and feelings	Each sentence covers the topic and somewhat supports the theme -is starting to provide more detail of personal feelings or ideas -most sentences are statements or listing events (Example: We went to the mall. We ate at A&W).	Topics are not well developed -many sentences lack detail or are simple statements -ideas are repeated used to fill up space -are simple "I went to" and lack detail -is done without much reflection - no opinions or feelings explored -resembles is a list
Mechanics: Each journal entry should have proper indentation of paragraphs, be in paragraph form, neat writing, correct sentence structure, spelling, punctuation, grammar and make sense	Every entry: -all are in proper paragraph form (margins & indenting) -has correct spelling -is very neat -has proper punctuation, capitalization (title), grammar	Most entries: -are in paragraph form, indented and margins -entries are readable with appropriate spelling, paragraph structure punctuation, and grammar -sentences make sense -mistakes are reasonable	Some entries done quickly. There are careless errors in: -spelling, punctuation, capitalization -some entries are in point form or have improper indenting or spacing with margins -has illegible printing -most sentences make sense	Entries are rushed and oppor qualitywriting is done in point form -no paragraph structures: indenting properly, margins, and spacing -many unfixed mistakes in spelling, punctuation, or capitalization -some sentences do not make sense
Sentence Fluency Word Selection, awareness of audience, and use of language to create a variety of sentence structures.	-uses a variety of sentence structures: - has an expressive dynamic tone in writing -uses new vocabulary forms and interesting language to show awareness of an audience -has strong, well developed topic sentences for each paragraph	-uses a variety of sentence structures to develop ideas -most sentences start differently -has a tone, as if speaking -uses interesting or more dynamic words choices -has an appropriate topic sentence for each paragraph	-is beginning to use different ways to start sentences -is beginning to use both simple and compound sentence structures -is developing a tone as if narrating or speaking -uses every day and common words properly	-sentences are simple or are repeated without much variation -mostly uses simple sentences -writing lacks tone or voice -writing doesn't explore interesting word choices

