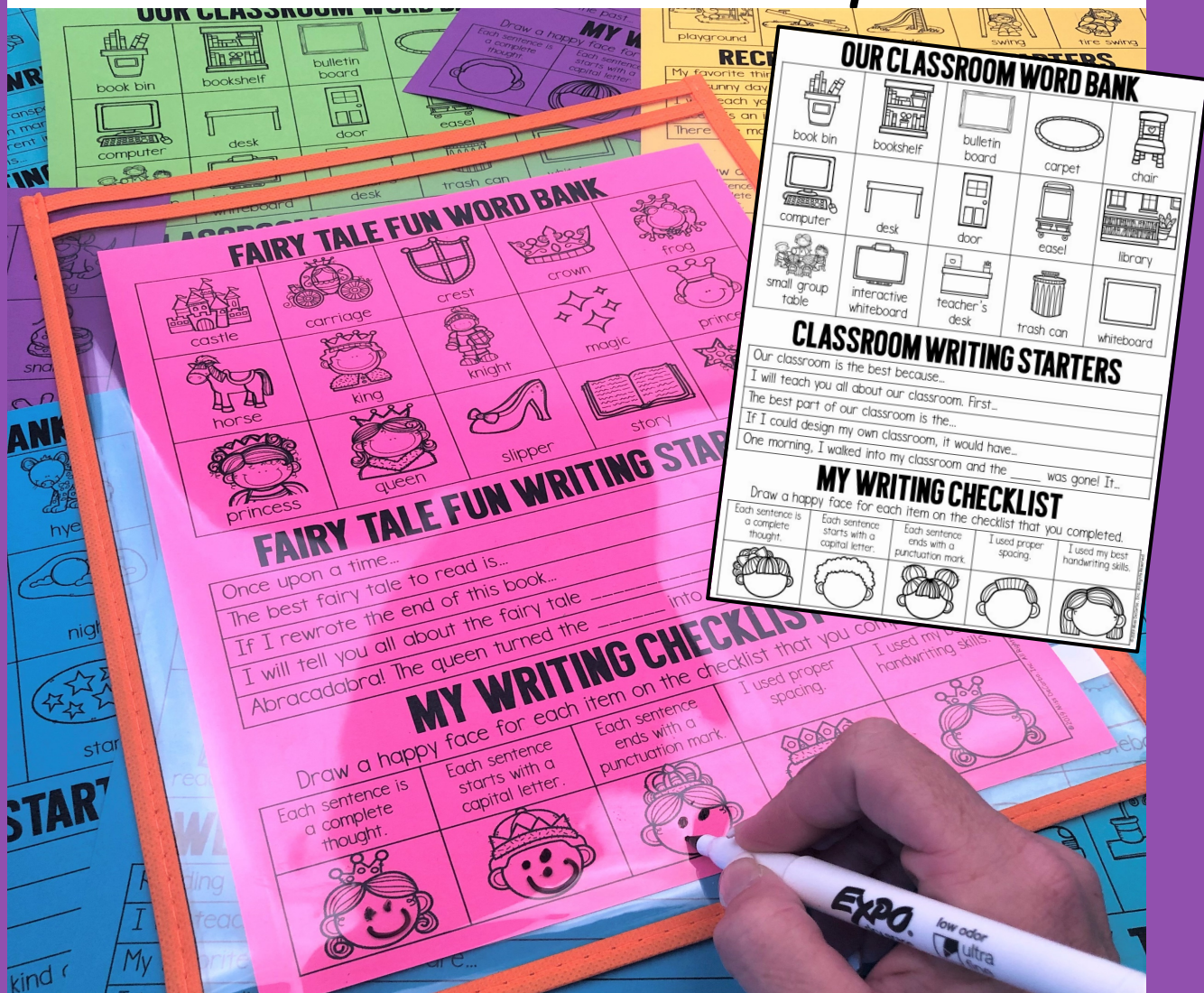


NO PREP WRITING HELPERS for the whole year!



ALL ABOUT THIS RESOURCE
















I created this year-long pack of writing helpers in order to ease the stress teachers often feel as they prepare writing centers for the classroom. As a teacher myself, I sometimes find that my students have a difficult time getting started on their own when they are at the writing center. These writing helpers provide students with themed word banks, sentence starters, and interactive writing checklists. The writing helpers are easy to print, slide into a sheet protectors, and go in your writing center! I hope you enjoy them as much as my students and I do!








HOW IT WORKS

A student-friendly picture word bank matches the writing helper's theme.

The sentence starters span different writing types.

OUR CLASSROOM WORD BANK				
 book bin	 bookshelf	 bulletin board	 carpet	 chair
 computer	 desk	 door	 easel	 library
 small group table	 interactive whiteboard	 teacher's desk	 trash can	 whiteboard

CLASSROOM WRITING STARTERS	
Our classroom is the best because...	
I will teach you all about our classroom. First...	
The best part of our classroom is the...	
If I could design my own classroom, it would have...	
One morning, I walked into my classroom and the ____ was gone! It...	

MY WRITING CHECKLIST				
Draw a happy face for each item on the checklist that you completed.				
Each sentence is a complete thought.	Each sentence starts with a capital letter.	Each sentence ends with a punctuation mark.	I used proper spacing.	I used my best handwriting skills.
				

Place the interactive writing checklist in a sheet protector, and the student can draw the smiley faces with a dry-erase marker! Erase and reuse!

IDEAS FOR USE

Writing centers

Small-group writing

Independent practice

Morning work

Writing notebooks

Substitute days

Journal helpers

Spelling resources

Writer's workshop

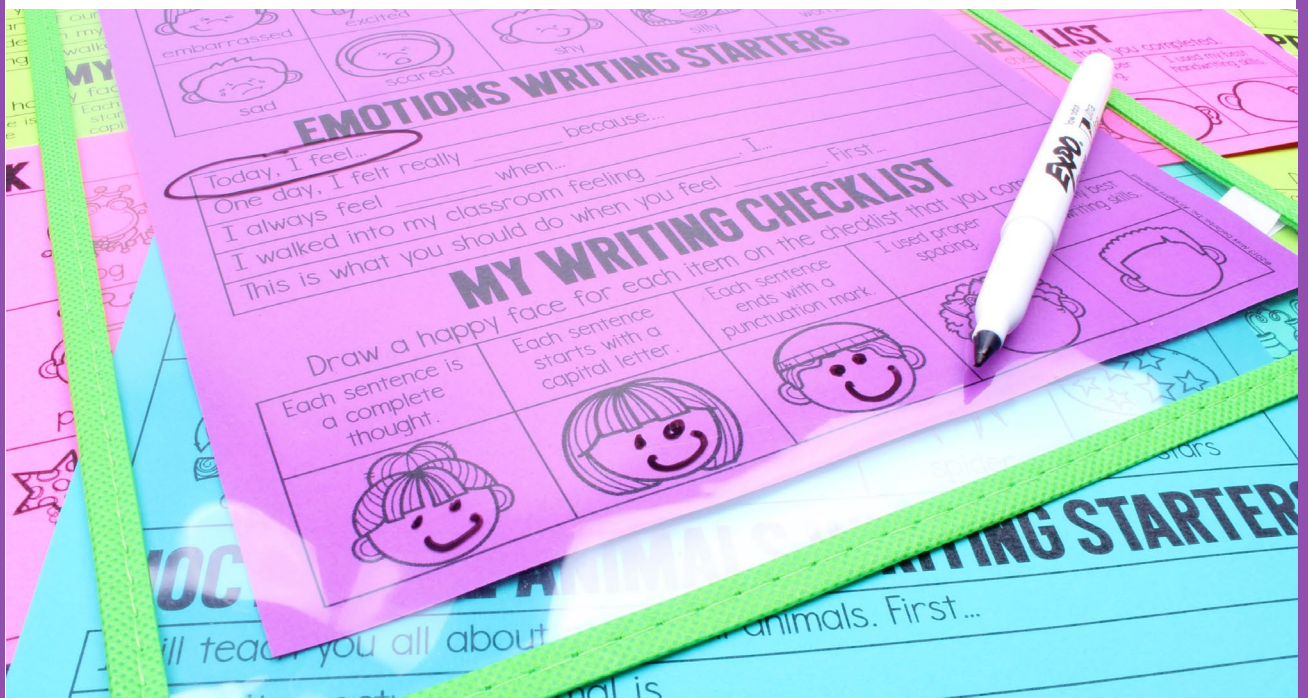
Writing warm-ups

SETUP TIPS & TRICKS

Each month contains four themed writing helpers. Each month contains a mix of seasonal and nonseasonal themes. Please understand that these nonseasonal writing helpers can be used at ANY time of the year. For example, in October, you may decide to pull out March's writing helper on community workers if that is what you are currently or have previously studied with your class.

I suggest printing the writing helpers on cardstock for durability and placing them in sheet protectors.

Students can then use a dry-erase markers for the interactive writing checklists. They can be erased and put back into the writing center for other students or writing pieces.



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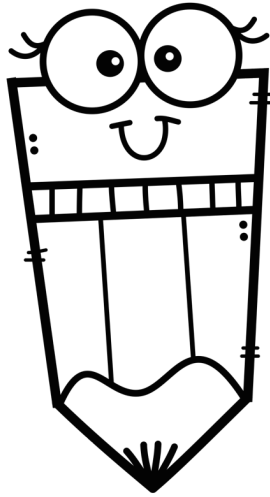
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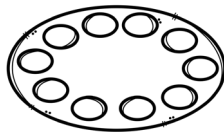
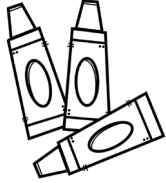












Holidays
Christmas
Fairy Tale Fun
Science

AUGUST WORD BANK PAGES



Back to School
Rules and Behavior
Our Classroom
Recess Fun

BACK TO SCHOOL WORD BANK

				
backpack	carpet	crayons	glue stick	lunch
				
math	notebook	pencil	reading	recess
				
school bus	science	social studies	teacher	writing

BACK TO SCHOOL WRITING STARTERS

On the first day of school...

I love school because...




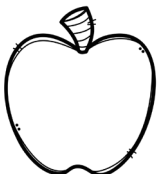
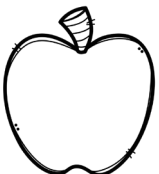
There are many things you need at school. First...

The best part of school is...
















If I were a teacher...

MY WRITING CHECKLIST

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RULES & BEHAVIOR WORD BANK

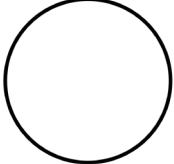
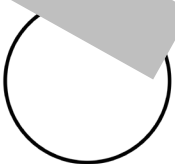
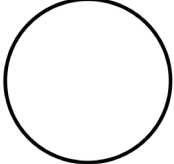
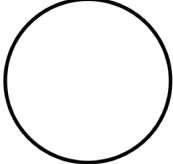
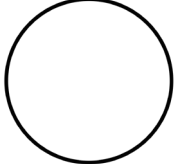
				
clean	criss-cross	friends	hold hands	line up
				
listen	proud	raise hand	raise hand	recycle
				
rules	sitting	share	try your best	wash hands

RULES & BEHAVIOR WRITING STARTERS




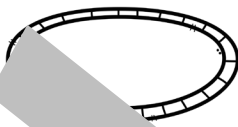


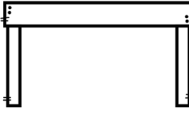




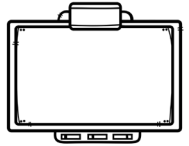


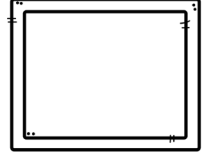
It is important to follow the rules because...
I will teach you about the rules for our classroom. The first rule is...
I always work hard at...
Teachers and students have important jobs. They...
I am a good model in my classroom. I always...

MY WRITING CHECKLIST

Draw a happy face for each item on the checklist that you completed.

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OUR CLASSROOM WORD BANK




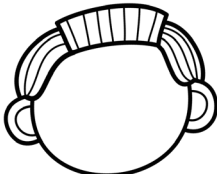
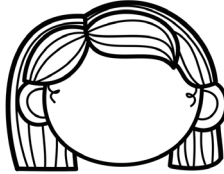
				
book bin	bookshelf	bulletin board	carpet	chair
				
computer	desk	door	eraser	library
				
small group table	interactive whiteboard	teacher's desk	trash can	whiteboard

CLASSROOM WRITING STARTERS





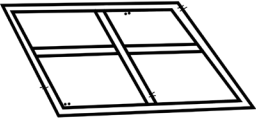

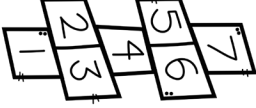
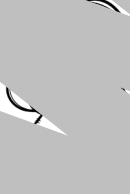



Our classroom is the best because...
I will teach you all about our classroom. First...
The best part of our classroom is the...
If I could design my classroom, I would have...
One morning I walked into my classroom and the _____ was gone! It...

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RECESS FUN WORD BANK

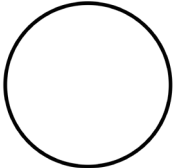
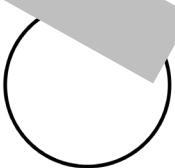
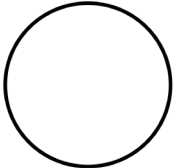
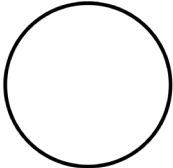
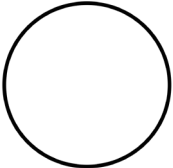
				
basketball	chalk	equipment	friends	four square
				
hula hoop	hopscotch	jump rope	kickball	monkey bars
				
playground	seesaw	slide	swing	tire swing

RECESS FUN WRITING STARTERS

My favorite thing to do at recess is...
One sunny day on the playground...
I will teach you how to play... First...
Recess is an important part of school because...
There are many things I like to do at recess. I like to...

MY WRITING CHECKLIST

Draw a happy face for each item on the checklist that you completed.



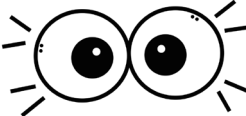




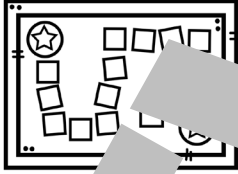

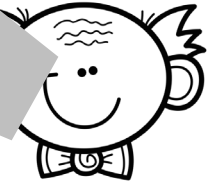





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SEPTEMBER WORD BANK PAGES



All About Me
Apples
Autumn
Pets

ALL ABOUT ME WORD BANK

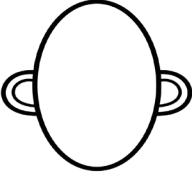
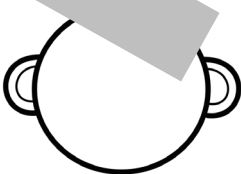
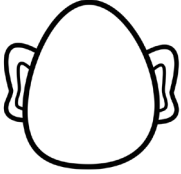
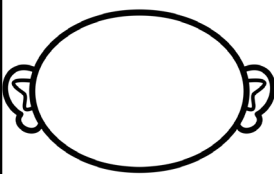
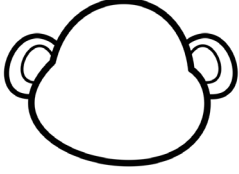
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 food	 friends	 month	 grandma	 grandpa
 hair	 school	 sister	 skin	 toy

ALL ABOUT ME WRITING STARTERS





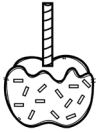
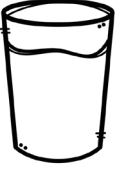








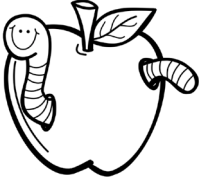
I will tell you all about myself. My name is _____.
I am amazing because _____.
I have a lot of favorite things. My favorite _____ is...
I love myself because _____.
I live with... _____.

MY WRITING CHECKLIST

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APPLES WORD BANK


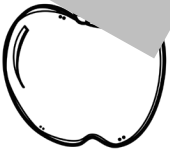



				 caramel apple
 cider	 core	 Johnny Appleseed	 orchard	 pie
 seeds	 slice	 stem	 tree	 worm

APPLES WRITING STARTERS








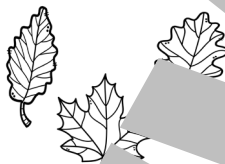
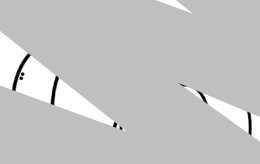



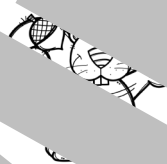

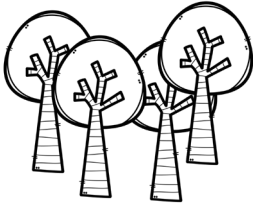
I will teach you about how an apple grows...
Johnny Appleseed had an interesting life. He...
I love apples because...
There are many ways you can use apples. First...
One day, I had an apple problem. First...

MY WRITING CHECKLIST

Draw an apple in the space for each item on the checklist that you completed.

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AUTUMN WORD BANK

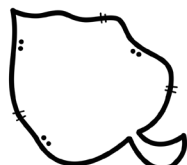
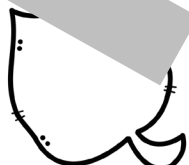
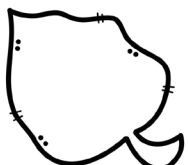
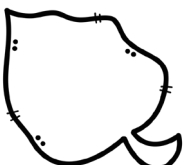
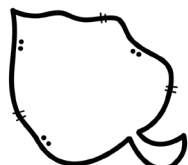
				
apples	bonfire	chilly	landscape	falling
				
football	hiking	leaves	pumpkin	pile
				
rake	scarecrow	squirrel	sweater	trees

AUTUMN WRITING STARTERS

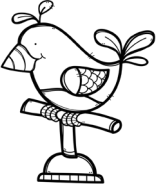
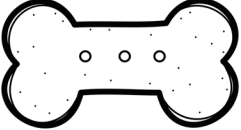

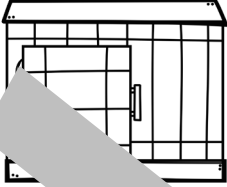

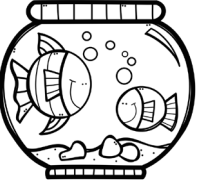


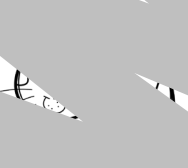

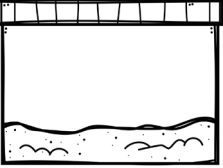



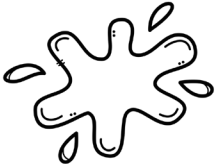
I love autumn because...
My favorite activity to do in the fall is...
One chilly, autumn day,...
Autumn is the best time to be outside because...
This paper will help you write about the season of autumn. First...

MY WRITING CHECKLIST

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PETS WORD BANK

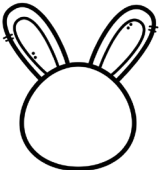

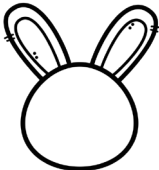
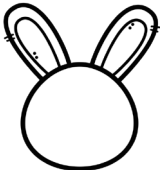
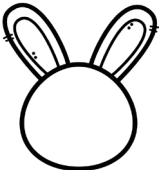
				
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fish	food	hamster	rabbit	snake
				
tank	toy	turtle	vegetables	water

PETS WRITING STARTERS

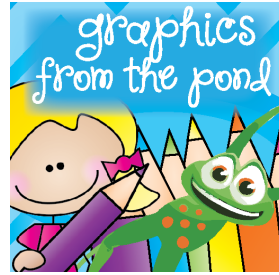
I will teach you all about my pet _____
I wish I had a pet _____ because...
One day, my pet...
I love my pet _____
Having a pet _____ and what First...

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