

LITTLE ROCK

Writing: Expository/Descriptive / Grade 4 / practice writing 3

Name _____

Teacher _____ Period _____

Writing Prompt

Imagine that you cannot go outside for one week. Write an essay to explain what you could do for fun during this time.

Before you begin to write, think about what it would be like if you couldn't go outside for one week. What could you do for fun? How would you be entertained? What games or activities could you participate in?

Now write an essay explaining what you would do for fun if you could not go outside for a week. Be sure to give specific details so that the reader will understand.

WRITER'S CHECKLIST

1. Look at the ideas in your response.
 - Have you focused on one main idea?
 - Have you used enough detail to explain yourself?
 - Have you put your thoughts in order?
 - Can others understand what you are saying?

2. Think about what you want others to know and feel after reading your paper.
 - Will others understand how you think or feel about an idea?
 - Will others feel angry, sad, happy, surprised, or some other way about your response? (Hint: Make your reader feel like you do about your paper's subject.)
 - Do you have sentences of different lengths? (Hint: Be sure you have a variety of sentence lengths.)

3. Look at the words you have used.
 - Are your sentences alike? (Hint: Use different kinds of sentences.)

4. Look at your handwriting.
 - Can others read your handwriting with no trouble?

Content _____ Style _____ Sentence Formation _____ Usage _____ Mechanics _____ /20 Total

