

FSPS Personal Narrative Writing Criteria- Grade 3

Writing Criteria: A	
<i>Key Skills and Understanding</i>	
CC.W.3.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	
Narrative Writing - Fictional: Fictional narratives are about an imagined event or scenario created by the author.	
Grade 3	
Ideas/Research	
Generates ideas	
Focuses on an imagined event or scenario	
Organizes ideas and plans writing	
Descriptive sentences interspersed with sequenced events	
Organization/Text Features	
Includes a title that relates closely to the narrative	
Includes an engaging lead	
Relates an event or sequence of events in time order	
Presents information in paragraphs with main ideas and supporting details	
Has a conclusion that includes thoughts and feelings, and wraps up the piece	
Includes illustrations and/or visuals that support the narrative	
Language Style	
Uses first or third person for fictional narratives	
Uses specific/lively verbs	
Includes precise and powerful vocabulary	
Includes vivid descriptions and sensory images	
Uses temporal words and phrases (at first, finally, etc.) to signal event order	
Includes a variety of sentences for fluency and impact	
<i>Note.</i> Adapted from <i>Explorations in Nonfiction Writing: Grade K</i> (p.98), by T. Stead and L. Hoyt, 2011, Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.	

Mentor Text

Mentor Text:

1. <http://www.readandwritewithrebecca.com/Mentor-Texts.html>
2. <http://www.kdl.org/categories/subcategory/193>
3. http://writingfix.com/genres/narrative.htm#mentor_texts

Student Exemplars

Student Writing Exemplars:

1. <http://www.monet.k12.ca.us/curriculum/EnglishLA/writing/writing%20samples/samples.html>
2. <http://holm.dpsk12.org/schools/holm/student-work/personal-narratives/>
3. [http://www.ttms.org/PDFs/03%20Writing%20Samples%20v001%20\(Full\).pdf](http://www.ttms.org/PDFs/03%20Writing%20Samples%20v001%20(Full).pdf)

Lesson Resources

Lesson Plans & Resources:

1. <http://www.d11.org/Instruction/Literacy.LanguageArts/Pages/k-5-Writing-Resources.aspx>
2. <http://teachersites.schoolworld.com/webpages/Hultenius/writing.cfm?subpage=1212921>
3. <https://www.livebinders.com/play/play?id=577523>

Rubrics:

1. http://www.halco.org/literacy/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=22&Itemid=16
2. <https://www.tracy.k12.ca.us/sites/drhodes/Documents/Personal%20Narrative%20Rubric.pdf>

Graphic Organizers:

1. http://mysite.cherokee.k12.ga.us/personal/karen_brooks/site/LA%20worksheets/1/personal%20narrative%20graphic%20organizer.pdf
2. <http://mskoppewriting.weebly.com/making-a-graphic-organizer.html>

Professional Text:

1. Houston, G. (2004). *How Writing Works*. Boston, MA: Pearson Education, Inc.
2. Owocki, G. (2013). *The Common Core Writing Book*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann
3. Stead, T. & Hoyt, Linda. (2011). *Explorations in Nonfiction Writing*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann