

You have found a magic bottle that has a genie inside. Write a story about what happens.

As a child, what was your nickname, and how did you feel about it?

As a child, what was your favorite toy? Why?

Do you like your name? Why or why not?

You are trapped on a desert island! Write a story about how you got there and what happens next.

You have found a pirate's treasure chest! What's in it? How did you find it? What are you going to do with it?

Describe what it would be like if your favorite book character lived next door to you.

Describe your favorite place and time to read. Why is it so special to you?

Choose an event from your life that would make a good book. Explain why other people would be interested in reading about this event.

What type of books do you enjoy reading? Why?

Do you think it's ever a good idea to end a friendship? Why or why not?

What makes you unhappy about school? How could you change this?

If you could eliminate either crime or pollution, which would you choose and why?

What would you like to change about your town? How could you do it?

Describe your idea of a perfect vacation. Where would you go? Who would you go with? What would you do?

Who is your favorite cartoon character? Why?

Create your own superhero. What special powers does this hero have? How would s/he use them? What is the hero's name?

How could you modify a school bus to make the ride to school more enjoyable?

If you could bring any singer/band to school, who would you choose? Write a letter to the principal explaining why s/he should approve the concert.

Write a short fairy tale that includes a princess, a gnome, a magic gem, and a talking sword.

Describe what you think your life will be like twenty years from now.

If you were the principal for a day, what things would you change? Why?

If you were the teacher for a day, what things would you change? Why?

Describe someone who is a hero to you.

Persuade people to watch your favorite TV show.

Would you rather have a dog or a cat? Explain your answer.

What do you imagine fish think about as they swim around?

If you could have any animal as a pet, what would you have? Why?

If you found a wallet full of money, would you try to return it or keep it for yourself? Why?

Would you rather be the tallest or the shortest person in class? Explain your answer.

If you could eat only one type of food for a month, what would you choose? Why? How would you feel after the month was over?

How could you persuade your teacher to switch desks with you?

Imagine a national holiday has been established in your honor. What might people do on this special day?

What is your favorite subject in school? Why?

Make a list of careers that use math.

Make a list of careers that use science.

Make a list of careers that use social studies.

Make a list of careers that use language arts.

Write a review of a movie you have seen recently.

Write a review of a book you have read recently.

What do you think your teacher was like as a child?

Write a letter thanking the janitors for keeping our school looking great!

If you could predict the future, what would you want to know? Why?

List as many emotions as you can think of. What color(s) do you associate with each emotion?

Make a list of five people you admire and explain why you admire them.

What do you think teachers talk about in the teacher's lounge?

Write a persuasive letter to the principal, requesting that students be allowed to eat and drink in class.

How could you persuade your teacher to have class outside today?

What advice would you give younger children to help them be successful in school?

What would you like your teacher to tell future students about your class?

Finish this sentence in as many different ways as you can: "Life is like..."
Explain your endings.

Would you like to be a writer someday? Why or why not?

If you were moving to the moon and could only take five things with you, what would they be? Why?

What do you think students in other countries do at school?

Describe the best summer you've ever had.

Do you think today's movies and TV shows contain too much violence?
Explain your opinion.

How could your school cafeteria be improved?

If you were an author, what type of books would you write? Who do you think would read them?

Do you enjoy hot or cold weather more? Why?

With so many forms of entertainment available, why should anyone spend time reading?

Describe your most embarrassing moment.

Write a letter to the President persuading him to shorten the school day.

If your class could go on a field trip anywhere, where would you like to go?
Why?

Describe your favorite family tradition.

What was the best gift you ever received? Who gave it to you and why is it so special?

If a genie popped out of your lunch box and granted you three wishes, what would they be?

Do you think professional athletes are overpaid or deserve their salaries? Why?

Describe the time you laughed the hardest. What was so funny?

What have you learned so far this year that has made you a better writer?

Do you think animals in a zoo or in the wild have a better life? Why?

Describe the advantages and disadvantages of having school uniforms.

Describe three of your talents.

What job would you like to do when you grow up?
Explain your choice.

What country would you most like to visit?

Describe your best friend.

Name some things you're thankful for.

What is your favorite song? What do you think about when you hear it?

Do you prefer to write using a pen and paper or a computer? Why?

Write a story about the day in the life of a fly.

Describe your kitchen from the perspective of a mouse.

Describe three things you like about yourself and three things you would like to change.

What do you do when you're bored?

Make a list of adjectives that describe you.

Describe the qualities you think a great book should have.

What type of music do you enjoy? What type of music do you hate? Why?

Describe an invention that would make life easier. Include a picture.

Do you prefer to work alone or in a group? Why?

Describe the most stressful thing in your life at the moment.

Describe an experience you've had that showed you the true meaning of friendship.

If you had to join the circus, what act would you perform?

"The dog ate my homework" is a boring excuse. Think of some more creative lines for students to use.

You've just been hired at a fortune cookie factory to write fortunes. List at least ten fortunes.

Write about something sad that once happened to you.

Why do you think your teacher became a teacher?

Describe your most prized possession and explain why you treasure it.

Describe as many ways as you can to make someone smile.

Would you rather be an only child or have lots of brothers and sisters?
Why?

Rename the seven dwarfs and describe their new personalities.

What is your biggest fear?

Write a letter to your teacher persuading her to not give you homework.

You just won a million dollars in the lottery! However, you have to spend it in the next two days. How will you do it?

List and explain some of your favorite outdoor activities.

Explain what cheers you up when you're in a bad mood.

Describe the setting of a scary story.

Write three things you don't know about the person sitting next to you.

Describe something you've always wanted to do but have never done.

If you could fly, where would you go?

Imagine you want to run for class president. Write your campaign speech.

What are some things you enjoy to do when you have free time?

If you were accidentally turned into a cat, how could you convince your parents it was really you?

If you could have any pet, what would you have? Why?

What are your goals for this school year?





