



Ready Writing – State 2023 – Grades 3 and 4

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Special Delivery

You have been hired as a delivery person to deliver packages on your bicycle in the neighborhood. What challenges will you face during your first day on the job? How will you overcome these challenges? Write a story about your new job.

Lost Toy

Your family is moving to a new house. As you are cleaning out and packing up your closet, you find a toy you haven't seen in five years. Write a story about this toy and your memories of playing with this toy when you were younger.



Ready Writing – State 2023 – Grades 5 and 6

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Cat's Eye

Suppose you are a cat. While your humans are away at school and work, you sneak out of the house and go on an adventure. Write a first-person story detailing your feline escapades.

Problem Solver

Identify a problem or issue at your school. Write a letter to your principal or school board addressing the problem and offering your suggestions for fixing the issue.



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All in the Family

Many families have traditions that they observe during holidays or other special days. Describe a family tradition that you enjoy to a person who is unfamiliar with this tradition. Where/when did this tradition start? Why is this tradition important to you and your family?

Exchange Program

You secretly applied to be a foreign exchange student during your junior year of high school (a few years from now). You didn't tell your parents because you never thought you'd be selected. But the letter just came in the mail and you've been chosen. Now all you have to do is convince your parents to let you go. Write a persuasive letter to your parents urging them to allow you to go on the exchange program.