

Back to School Writing Practice

writing mats

Picture &
Word
Support

20 Engaging
Prompts

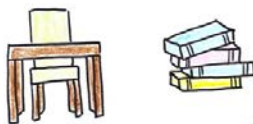
Valuable
Topics

Writing
Conventions
Checklist

3 Styles:
Blank,
Interlines, &
Solid Lines

Name: Hilary J.

Date: August 28



In my classroom I sit at
my desk and read books.

Word List

Use the words and pictures
to help create your story.



teacher



desk



books



school
supplies



lunch



lunch



friend

Color in the
checkmark
to show you
have used
this writing
convention



use capitals



use punctuation



use spaces



print neatly



stretch out words



reread it

Writing Checklist: I can...

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September Writing Topics

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1. Fun on Wheels
2. The First Day of School
3. People at School
4. Community Helpers
5. In My Classroom
6. My Favorite Arts Activity
7. My School Goals
8. Being a Friend
9. After School
10. At Lunch
11. My Backpack
12. All About Me
13. My Favorite Things
14. How I Dress
15. My Birthday
16. Apple Life Cycle
17. Apples, Apples, Apples
18. Fire Fighters
19. If I were a Scientist
20. Helping at Home

Printable writing mats

20 different Writing Mats for each month. Each mat comes in 3 styles: interlines, solid lines, or blank pages with either a sentence starter or title. Every mat covers a different writing topic with themed word list.

A variety of topics and sentence starters included to keep engagement high.

Write and illustrate stories about high interest topics and relatable themes.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Word List
Use the words and pictures to help create your story.

backpack books
bus classroom
desk friend

Writing Checklist: I can...

use capitals use punctuation use spaces print neatly stretch out words reread it

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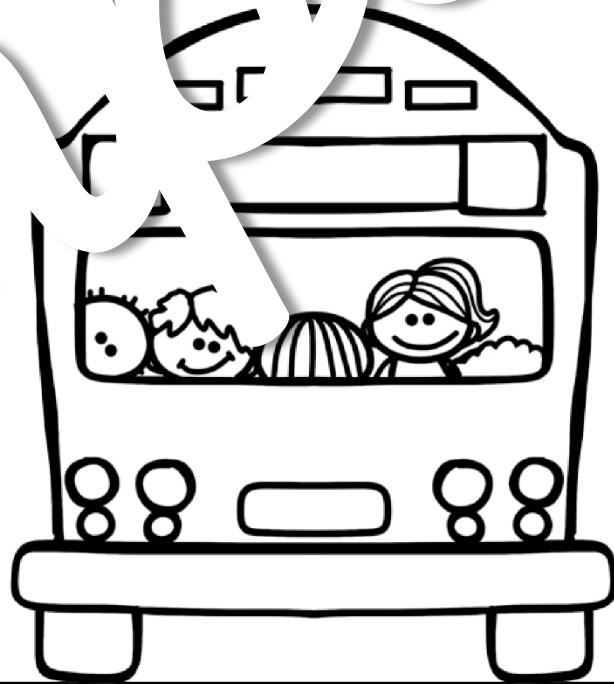
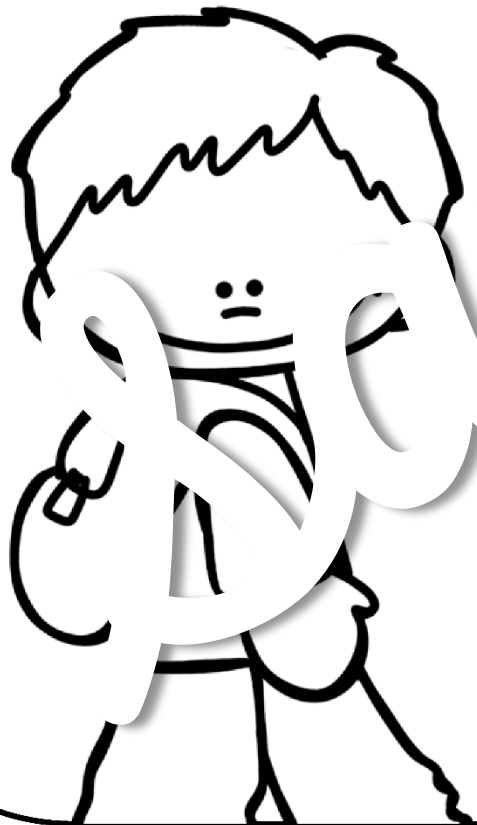
Word lists support beginning writers with writing, spelling, and illustrating.

Build writing fluency by writing a short story and checking it each day.

Use the writing conventions checklist to independently check writing.

September

WRITING MAT



Name: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Word List

Use the words and pictures to create your story.



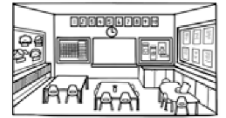
backpack



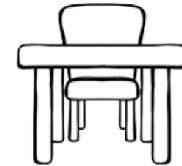
books



bus



classroom



desk



friend

On the first day of school

My writing area

Color in the checkmark to show you have used this writing convention.

Writing Checklist: I can...



use capitals



use punctuation



use spaces



print neatly



stretch out words



reread it

Name: _____

Date: _____

Being a Friend

Word List

Use the words and pictures to create your story.



kind



listen



play nicely



play outside



work together



share

Color in the checkmark to show you have used this writing convention.

Writing Checklist:



use capitals



use punctuation



use spaces



print neatly



spell words



reread it

Name: _____

Date: _____

All About Me

Word List

Use the words and pictures to create your story.



student



school



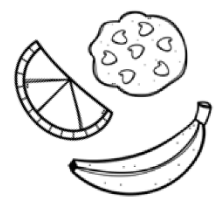
sports



family



hobbies



food

Handwriting practice area with large, stylized letters.

Color in the checkmark to show you have used this writing convention.

Writing Checklist: I can...



use capitals



use punctuation



use spaces



print neatly



spell words



reread it

Digital writing mats

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

The First Day of School

Word List
Use the words and pictures to help create your story.

- backpack
- books
- bus
- classroom
- desk
- friend

Writing Checklist: I can...

- use capitals
- use punctuation
- use spaces
- add details
- spell words
- reread it

Colour in the checkmark to show you have used the writing convention.

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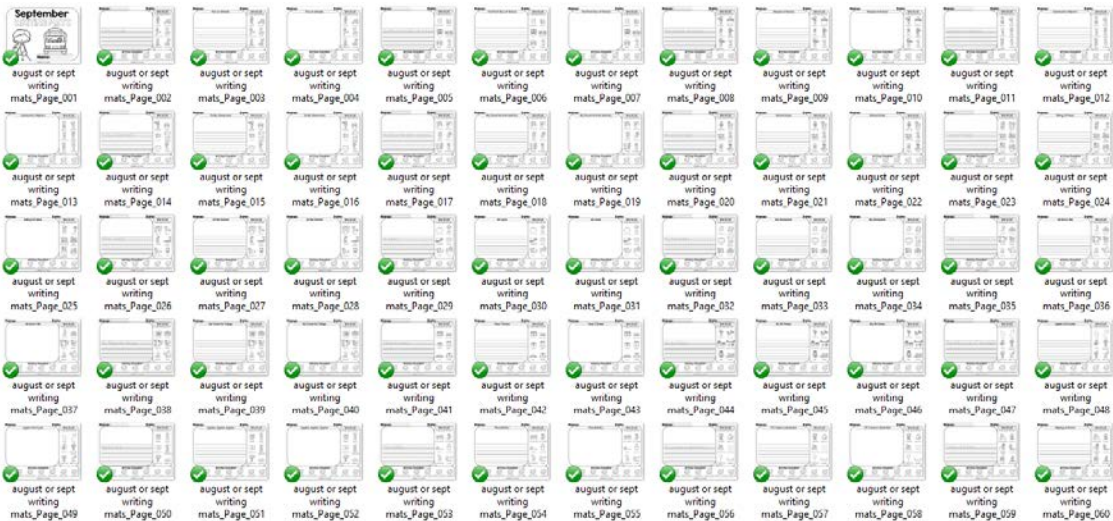
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A link and instructions are provided to make a copy of a Google Slides™ document that you can use with your students.



Images to Use in Seesaw writing mats

Image files for each paper are included for use with Seesaw or another secure, password-protected platform for your classroom of students.



Name: Dane A.

Date: Sept. 14



I am a friend who is kind.
I share my crayons.

Word List

Use the words and pictures to help create your story.



kind



listen



play nicely



play outside.



work together



share

Color in the checkmark to show you have used this writing convention.



use capitals



use punctuation



use spaces



print neatly



stretch out words



reread it

Writing Checklist: I can...

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Use **writing mats** for...

- ♥ Independent writing
- ♥ Writer's Workshop
- ♥ Small group instruction
- ♥ Morning work
- ♥ Literacy centers
- ♥ Fast finishers
- ♥ Assessments
- ♥ Sub-plans
- ♥ Home practice

Why You Need writing mats

- This ONE writing resource is **all you need** to supply your writing center for the month. Build writing fluency through repeated writing.
- **20 fun writing prompts** provide variety and keep interest high!
- **Save time** as your writing activities are ready for you!
- This **no-prep, versatile resource** is great for independent writing, writer's workshop, small groups, sub-plans, morning work, literacy centers, home practice, and more!
- Help students with vocabulary and spelling with the **Picture-Word lists** match the story starter and topic.
- Use the **Writing Checklist** to encourage independence with self-checking and help students remember what they need to include.



Name: Dane A



I am a friend who is kind.

I sha

Color in the checkmark to show you have used this writing convention. use ca

Use the words and pictures to help create your story.



"My students really enjoyed these writing activities at the beginning of the year. The word bank is helpful to beginning writers. I will definitely use these prompts each year!"

September WRITING MATS



Name: Sydney

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"This resource is very engaging and my students love it! I use this resource as a center activity. No prep and very easy to use. This is an effective learning resource!"

In my classroom I sit at my desk and read books.



Writing Checklist: I can... print neatly stretch out words

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for the whole year.

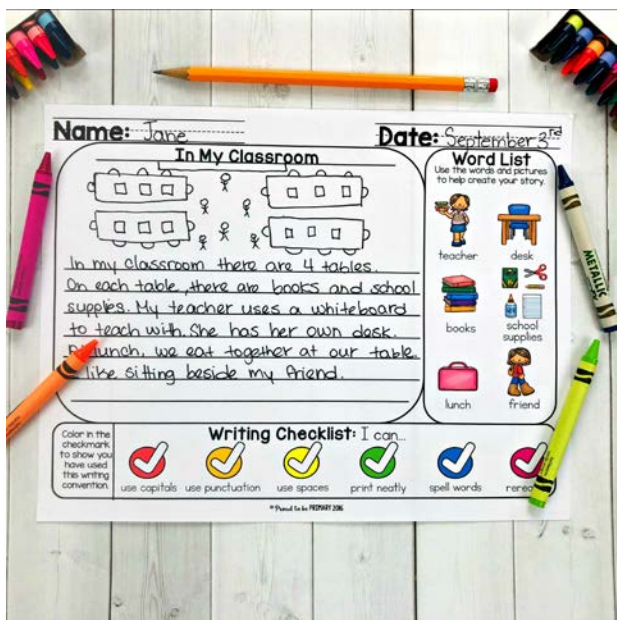
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