

Writing Tricks
Journal Entries
Set I

Journal Entry #1

1. On a separate sheet of paper, write each writing trick in a paragraph (4 paragraphs total). Use the writing trick twice. Skip lines. **Topic:** Your choice
____ Where/When ____ Personification ____ Simile/Metaphor ____ Adjectives
2. Trade each paragraph with a neighbor. Underline his/her writing tricks. How well did the writer use the writing tricks? Record your answers on the writer's Journal Project worksheet.
 - a. The trick was used correctly.
 - b. The trick has a natural flow within the paragraph.
3. Save your journal entry for your portfolio.

Journal Entry #2

Write a paragraph using the pattern below. When finished, trade your paragraph with a neighbor. Score the paragraph on the writer's Journal Project worksheet.

Topic: A Shocking Moment

Sentence #1 – Where / When

Sentence #2 – Adjectives

Sentence #3 – Simile / Metaphor

Sentence #4 – Personification

Sentence #5 – Adjectives

Sentence #6 - Any closing sentence.

Example:

Yesterday at recess I was walking toward the handball courts. Suddenly a tall, skinny girl went flying past me. Not seeing the short, chubby boy in front of me, she slammed into him like a train hitting a wall. A tree caught the two after they both tumbled across the cement. Everyone stopped and stared with shocked, wide-eyed faces. We were all happy to see that they were both fine.

Journal Entry #3

Write a paragraph using all four writing tricks in any order. When finished, trade your paragraph with a neighbor. Score the paragraph on the writer's Journal Project worksheet.

Topic: Your Choice