

Get Writing! content – Composition activities

Red Ditty Books

The Ditties include simple writing activities, such as Complete a Sentence and Hold a Sentence, which provide an important bridge between the writing of single words and whole sentences.

Green Storybooks

Get Writing! Write About activity

On the bus

Write About the Hullabaloo

Composing simple sentences to describe the noises that different animals make on a bus.

My dog Ned

Write About what Ned is Thinking

Completing thought bubbles to describe what Ned might think to himself when he is taken to a vet.

Six fish

Write About Fat Cat

Composing simple sentences to describe what Fat Cat, a greedy cat, eats that makes him bigger and bigger, and writing a speech bubble for Pug Dog's response.

The spell

Write a Spell

Completing a list of the ingredients that Stitch the witch puts in her pot to make her spell.

Black Hat Bob

Write a Wanted Poster

Writing a Wanted poster with descriptions of Red Hat Rob for the police.

Tug, tug

Write About Fish

Writing short descriptive sentences about an imaginary fish that they might catch.

Chips

Write About Chips

Composing simple sentences to describe different kinds of chips that are eaten by the story characters.

The Web

Write About Bugs

Writing descriptive sentences about the type of bug they would eat if they were Spin the spider.

Pip's pizza

Write About Pizza

Writing a list of the ingredients for a pizza order for a friend.

Stitch the witch

Write About the Bed

Writing commands from Stitch the witch to her naughty cat.

We can all swim!

Write About Swimming

Writing descriptive sentences about different places where animals can swim.

What am I?

Write About Cats

In role as a cat, writing descriptive sentences about what they can do.

Purple Storybooks

Ken's cap

Write a Letter

Writing a letter of apology from Ken to his mum about something he has lost.

A bad fox

Write About Keeping Safe

Writing commands about keeping safe.

Big Blob and Baby Blob

Write About Shopping with Baby Blob

Tim and Tom	<i>Write About Twins</i> Writing a balanced text about the pros and cons of having a twin.
Tag	<i>Write About Hiding</i> Composing questions and responses about places to hide.
Elvis	<i>Write About Things that Need Fixing</i> Writing descriptive sentences about toys they want Elvis to mend.
Flip Frog and the bug	<i>Write About Flip's Chase</i> Composing descriptive sentences about what insect Flip would like to eat and where he will find it.
Red Ken	<i>Write About Ken's Accident</i> Writing a description of the process that led to Ken's accident.
Billy the Kid	<i>Write About the Troll</i> Writing labels to describe the key features of a troll.
In the bath	<i>Write About Having a Bath</i> Composing a balanced text about the best and worst things about having a bath.
Hens	<i>Write About Hens</i> Writing descriptions of the activities that hens can do.
Puppets	<i>Write About the Puppet</i> Writing labels to describe a puppet.
Pink Storybooks	
Scruffy Ted	<i>Write About the Toys</i> Composing descriptive sentences about toys.
Tab the cat	<i>Write About Looking After a Pet</i> Writing a letter to Meg's mum, in role as Meg, with promises about looking after a cat.
In the sun	<i>Write a Postcard</i> Writing a letter to a friend describing what they will do when they go on holiday to the seaside.
The dressing up box	<i>Write About Dressing Up</i> Composing questions and descriptive responses about teachers in fancy dress.
Tab's kitten	<i>Write About the Kitten</i> Composing descriptive sentences about where their kitten will sleep, what it will eat and where it will play.
Sanjay stays in bed	<i>Write About what Mum Says to Sanjay</i> Writing commands in role as Sanjay's mum.
The greedy green gremlin	<i>Write About Hiding Places</i> Writing descriptive sentences about the places where the gremlin hides.
In the night	<i>Write About Noises</i> In role, composing descriptive sentences about the noises that keep them awake at night.
Snow	<i>Write About Playing in the Snow</i> Writing speech bubbles to describe playing in the snow.
So cool!	<i>Write About a Cool Day</i> Writing a letter to a friend who is coming to visit describing the activities they will do over the whole day.

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Jay’s clay pot	<i>Write About Making a Clay Pot</i> Composing instructions to describe how to make a clay pot.
Bats	<i>Write Facts about Bats</i> Writing facts about what bats do and what they look like.
Orange Storybooks	
Playday	<i>Write About Playing</i> In role, writing speech bubbles about what the characters in the story might say to each other as they play.
I think I want to be a bee	<i>Write About What You Want to Be</i> Writing descriptive sentences about what they want to be when they get older and why.
A bad fright	<i>Write About a Wicked Witch</i> Composing descriptive sentences about what an imagined witch looks like and does.
Follow me!	<i>Write About Riding a Bike</i> Writing speech bubbles to show what a girl might say to her dad about her new bike.
Too much!	<i>Write About A Grumpy Girl</i> Writing a short, sequenced narrative about what makes a girl in a story grumpy and what stops her feeling grumpy.
A good cook?	<i>Write About a Good Cook</i> Writing descriptive sentences about who in their family is a good cook and the best thing they cook.
Come on, Margo!	<i>Write About a Race</i> Writing thought bubbles for Margo at different times in her car race.
My sort of horse	<i>Write About Horses</i> Composing, in role, speech bubbles with boasts that two imaginary children make to each other about their horses.
Haircuts	<i>Write About a Bad Hair Day</i> Writing a short episode describing a girl’s disaster haircut experience.
My best shirt	<i>Write a Letter</i> Writing a letter from Kirsty to Tom’s mum apologising for spoiling his party.
Look out!	<i>Write About a Mouse in the House</i> Writing descriptive speech bubbles about what a mouse looks like and where it hides in a house.
Hunt the tortoise	<i>Write an Invitation to a Picnic</i> Writing a clear and persuasive invitation to a picnic.
Jam tarts	<i>Write a Shopping List</i> Writing a shopping list, giving the number and description of each item.
Jim’s house in 1874	<i>Write About Jim’s House</i> Writing a comparative description of houses now and in Victorian times.

Yellow Storybooks	Get Writing! Grammar focus	Get Writing! Write About activity
The duckchick	Verbs (past tense)	<i>Write About how Mama hen got a shock</i> In role as Mama hen, describing what happened and how her feelings towards the duckchick changed.
Off sick	Apostrophe (of omission)	<i>Write About Being Ill</i> Writing a sequenced narrative about feeling ill and describing what Mum says to them at different times of the day.
Tom Thumb	Capital letters (names, I, starting sentences)	<i>Write a Poster for Tom Thumb</i> In role as Tom Thumb's mum, writing a Lost poster describing what Tom Thumb looks like and where he might be.
The gingerbread man	Past tense Suffixes for verbs, no change to root when adding -ing, -ed, -er Adjectives (-er, -est)	<i>Write About the Gingerbread Man</i> Writing in role as Seth, describing what happened when they chased the gingerbread man.
Robin Hood	Prefix -un	<i>Write About Falling Out</i> Writing a recount of an imaginary argument they had with a brother, sister or friend.
Lost	Plurals using suffixes -s and -es Singular	<i>Write About the New Kitten</i> In role as Ray, writing a letter to Fred describing his new kitten.
Do we have to keep it?	Joining words and clauses with 'and'	<i>Write About the New Baby</i> In role as Dan, writing an email to Rajeev about his new baby sister and how he feels about her.
Danny and the Bump-a-lump	Full stops Compound words	<i>Write About Something Under the Bed</i> Writing a short play with a conversation between Danny and Mum describing the scary thing under his bed.
Grow your own radishes	Adjectives	<i>Write Adverts for Salad Lunches</i> Writing adverts using persuasive language to encourage children to choose salad lunches.
The foolish witch	Nouns	<i>Write Hansel's story</i> In role as Hansel, recounting the end of the story and how he and Gretel tricked the witch.
In the park	Statements Past tense	<i>Write a Leaflet about the Park</i> Writing an informative leaflet listing and describing the park.

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A mouse in the house	Questions and Question marks Exclamations and Exclamation marks Commands Statements	<i>Write About Looking After a Mouse</i> Writing instructions for how to look after a mouse, including its house, food and water and play activities.
Blue Storybooks	<i>Get Writing! Grammar focus</i>	<i>Get Writing! Write About activity</i>
Barker	Noun phrases	<i>Write a Newspaper Report</i> Writing a newspaper report recounting Mr Brown's thoughts about having a dog and how his feelings changed.
The poor goose	Verbs	<i>Write About Winning</i> In role as the sheepdog, retelling the story of the race with the other animals.
Hairy fairy	Adjectives	<i>Write a Letter</i> In role as the hairy fairy, writing a letter asking the Fairy Queen for a job with Father Christmas.
King of the birds	Adverbs	<i>Write About a Fib</i> Writing a story about a boy who lies to get his friends to like him more.
Our house	Noun phrases	<i>Write About Your Bedroom</i> Writing a letter to a friend or cousin coming to stay, explaining where he/she will sleep and what they will do.
The jar of oil	Present and past tense	<i>Write a Letter to the Prince</i> In role as the poor man, writing a letter to the prince asking him for another jar of oil.
Jade's party	Commas (in lists)	<i>Write a Party Invitation</i> Writing an invitation, giving details of a party, the games and what the guests should wear.
Jellybean	Noun phrases Co-ordination (or, and, but)	<i>Write a Poem</i> In role as different wild animals, writing a poem about what each animal might say to a girl who wants to keep them as a pet.
A box full of light	Apostrophe (of omission)	<i>Write About a Journey</i> In role as Fox, describing the journey with Kestrel to find the light.

The hole in the hill	Adverbs ending -ly	<i>Write About The Day the Children were Taken</i> In role as the child left behind, writing a story about the events when the children were taken.
On your bike	Commands	<i>Write About How to Ride a Bike Safely</i> Writing clear instructions on what to do and wear when riding a bike.
At the seaside	Verbs Compound words	<i>Write a Poster</i> Writing a persuasive poster, advertising what you can do at the seaside.
Grey Storybooks	<i>Get Writing!</i> Grammar focus	<i>Get Writing!</i> Write About activity
Rex to the rescue	Co-ordination (or, and, but)	<i>Write a Poster</i> Writing an informative poster giving details on how to spot and stop a bully.
The lion's paw	Progressive in past tense	<i>Write About Androcles and the Lion</i> In role as Androcles, retelling how he was a slave and how meeting the lion changed his life.
I dare you	Commands	<i>Write About Games</i> Writing instructions for a game for Radar Rob and Cosmic Clare to play.
Looking after a hamster	Nouns	<i>Write About Looking After Me</i> Writing a list, in role, to remind an older brother about how he needs to look after them.
How silly!	Apostrophe (possessive)	<i>Write About Your Friend</i> Describing how they met a friend and what they do and say together.
Wailing Winny's car boot sale	Progressive in present tense Progressive in past tense	<i>Write About Your Toys and Books</i> Composing gift tags, describing why they are giving away their toy and book and why they are special to them.
Toad	Adverbs	<i>Write About the Toad's Thoughts</i> Describing what the toad is really thinking at different times during the story.
Andrew	Commands	<i>Write About What Stewart Said</i> In role as Stewart, answering questions about why he didn't look after Andrew properly at the beach.

		when he went to the fun fair or theme park.
Vulture culture	Subordination (when, if, that, because)	<i>Write About the Marabou Stork</i> Writing a clear and engaging fact file about what the Marabou stork looks like, how it eats and breeds and where it lives.
A celebration of planet Zox	Adjectives	<i>Write About Being Poorly on a School Trip</i> Recounting an imaginary (or actual) time when they felt poorly on a school trip.
A very dangerous dinosaur	Present and past tense	<i>Write About New Kinds of Dinosaurs</i> Writing descriptions of new (made up) dinosaurs.
The invisible clothes	Verbs	<i>Write About Choosing a Mayor</i> In role as Vain Vincent and Normal Nancy, writing answers to questions in an interview to become mayor.
A job for Jordan	Commands Statements	<i>Write About Looking After Your Dog</i> Writing instructions about looking after and training a dog.
A place in space: The	Noun phrases	<i>Write a Fact File about the Moon</i>