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The Writing Process



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The Writing Process Step 3:

Revising



When you revise, you want to refine your writing. You want to make sure you are clearly communicating your idea to your reader. To help you revise, think of the acronym ARMS!

ARMS!

clarify meaning
use more descriptive
language to make it
clear to the reader

that are
the sentence
are both

and
they
tribe

The Writing Process Step 4:

Editing



When you edit, you want to clean up your writing. You want to read through it carefully. Your goal is to find and fix any mistakes before you publish. To help you edit, think of the acronym CUPS!

CUPS!

C
Capitalization

- The first letter of every sentence is capitalized
- Proper nouns are capitalized
- Dates are capitalized
- Titles are capitalized

U
Usage

- Subject verb agreement is correct
- Plurals are used correctly
- All adverbs describe verbs
- All adjectives describe nouns

P
Punctuation

- End punctuation is correct (periods, question marks, exclamation points)
- Quotation marks are properly used for all thoughts and dialogue
- Commas are used appropriately

S
Spelling

- Check through all words closely
- Try your hardest to find any errors
- Use a dictionary, the word wall or have a buddy check words you aren't confident you spelled correctly

WRITING PROCESS

13 Classroom Anchor Charts

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REASONS TO LOVE

THESE ANCHOR CHARTS

TIME-SAVING

These anchor charts are seriously **READY-TO-PRINT**. You won't have to spend hours after school or at home creating anchor charts for your lessons.

CLEAR & CONCISE

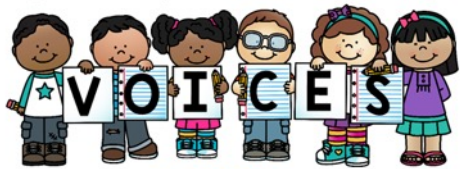
Not only will these anchor charts help your students understand how to read and write poetry, but these charts will help you be a more effective teacher. You can use the language on the anchor charts to help teach your poetry lessons in a clear and concise way.

MULTI-USE

You can use these anchor charts in a variety of ways. Use them to model and teach a new skill. Give students a copy for their journals, place a copy in a center. You can even attach a copy to your lesson plans to share what you plan on teaching with your administrators.

Characteristics of Strong Writing

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❖ ORGANIZATION

Use a plan to guide your writing.

❖ IDEAS

Share an important or interesting message.

❖ CONVENTIONS

Follow all grammar and spelling rules.

❖ EXPANDED VOCABULARY

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❖ SENTENCE FLUENCY

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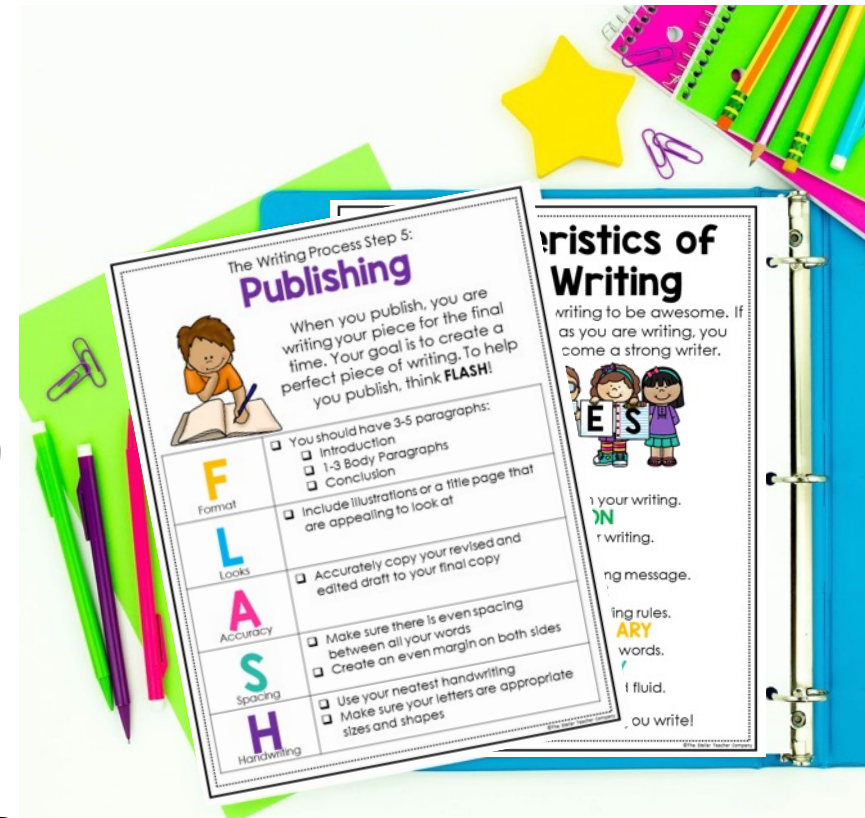
WHAT'S INCLUDED?

13 ANCHOR CHARTS TO TEACH WRITING

- The Writing Process
- Brainstorming
- Drafting
- Editing
- Revising
- Publishing
- Characteristics of a Strong Writer
 - Voice
 - Organization
 - Ideas
 - Conventions
 - Expand Vocabulary
 - Sentence Fluency

You get access to all these different formats for each chart:

- Half Page Anchor Charts for Journals
- Fill-In Charts for Notetaking
- Full Page Anchor Charts for Classroom Display
- Digital Version
- Color & Black & White Options



TAKE A CLOSER LOOK...

CHARTS ARE CLEAR & CONCISE


Teaches each step in the writing process.

Uses student-friendly language to describe each step.

Provides a checklist or set of steps for students.

You can also print a fill-in version so students can take their own notes.


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A Add	<input type="checkbox"/> Add sentences to clarify meaning <input type="checkbox"/> Add words that are more descriptive <input type="checkbox"/> Add figurative language to make your writing interesting to the reader
R Remove	<input type="checkbox"/> Remove sentences that aren't necessary <input type="checkbox"/> Remove incomplete sentences <input type="checkbox"/> Remove words that are boring or redundant
M Move	<input type="checkbox"/> Move sentences that don't belong <input type="checkbox"/> Move adjectives so they describe nouns <input type="checkbox"/> Move adverbs so they describe verbs
S Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Trade exciting words for boring words <input type="checkbox"/> Use a thesaurus to find new words to use

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- ❖ **Step 4: Editing**
During this step, writers check their writing for any mechanical errors they might have made. It's their final check.
- ❖ **Step 5: Publishing**
During this step, writers rewrite their piece one final time to share it with their readers.

The Writing Process Step 1: Brainstorming



When you brainstorm you get all of your ideas about a future writing project down on paper. This helps you determine which direction you want to take your writing.

You can brainstorm in a variety of ways.

You can make a list.	You can make a web.
When you make a list you generate a variety of ideas you might like to write about. You can always revisit your list when you need a new idea for writing.	You can use a web to help you brainstorm specific details about a story or a topic you plan on writing about. A web can help you get EVERYTHING you know down on paper before you begin writing.
EXAMPLE: My Future Writing Ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• My summer vacation to the beach• Running my first 5K• The first day in my new school• All about Great Danes• How to decorate cupcakes	EXAMPLE:  <p>Great pets Very large in size Great Dane Very loyal and friendly Has a short lifespan</p>

The Writing Process Step 2: Drafting




When you draft your writing, you are expanding your ideas into complete sentences. It is the first time you are going through and writing out your ideas with your final version in mind.

Keep the following in mind when you are drafting:

- ❖ **Use your brainstorming notes**
You want to make sure that you are following your plan for your writing. You spent time brainstorming your writing piece, so be sure to use your notes.
- ❖ **Expand your ideas into sentences**
When you are writing a draft you are only writing in complete sentences. Make sure each sentence you write has a complete thought.
- ❖ **Write paragraphs with 3-5 sentences**
When you are drafting, you will create paragraphs around the same event or idea. Be sure to include enough details to get 3-5 sentences.
- ❖ **Skip Lines**
It is helpful to skip lines while you draft. This will make revising and editing so much easier.
- ❖ **Reread your draft frequently**
You want to reread your draft while you are writing. This will help you make sure you are getting the right ideas on the paper.

The Writing Process Step 5: Publishing




When you publish, you are writing your piece for the final time. Your goal is to create a perfect piece of writing. To help you publish, think **FLASH!**

F Format	<input type="checkbox"/> You should have 3-5 paragraphs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Introduction<input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 Body Paragraphs<input type="checkbox"/> Conclusion
L Looks	<input type="checkbox"/> Include illustrations or a title page that are appealing to look at
A Accuracy	<input type="checkbox"/> Accurately copy your revised and edited draft to your final copy
S Spacing	<input type="checkbox"/> Make sure there is even spacing between all your words <input type="checkbox"/> Create an even margin on both sides
H Handwriting	<input type="checkbox"/> Use your neatest handwriting <input type="checkbox"/> Make sure your letters are appropriate sizes and shapes

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- ❖ **SENTENCE FLUENCY**
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Think about **VOICES** every time you write!

Voice

Voice refers to the overall sound of your paper. As a writer, you want your writing to actually sound like you wrote it.




Remember:
Let your personality shine through in your writing. Make it your own!

When you have strong voice...

- ❖ Your writing sounds like you
- ❖ You write from the heart
- ❖ You write for your audience
- ❖ It sounds like you are talking to your reader
- ❖ You share your personal thoughts and opinions
- ❖ You let your reader know how you feel about something
- ❖ You share personal stories
- ❖ You let your personality shine

Organization

Organization refers to how you write your paper. It is important to use a structure or write in sequence.




Remember:
Write in a logical way. Make a plan before you begin and then write your plan!

When you have strong organization...

- ❖ You do some brainstorming before you begin writing
- ❖ Your writing is focused
- ❖ Your writing makes sense
- ❖ Your writing has a beginning, a middle, and an end
- ❖ You use transition words
- ❖ You have an introduction and a conclusion
- ❖ You include all important ideas in your writing

Ideas

Ideas refers to what you are actually writing about. It is important to write about something that is important or interesting to you or your reader.



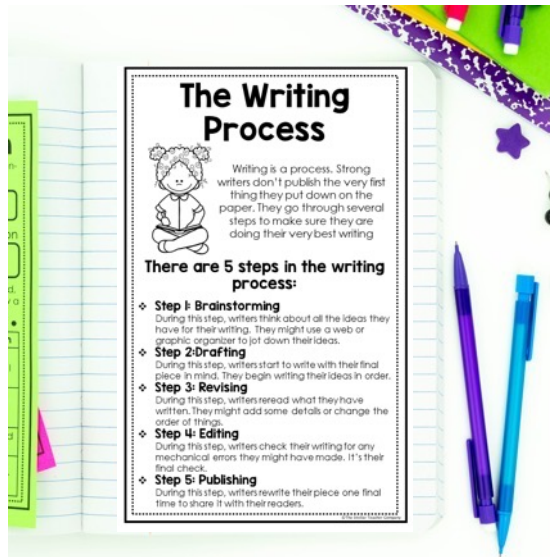
Remember:
You are sharing a big idea with your reader. Include enough details so they understand your writing.

When you have strong ideas...

- ❖ Your writing is important and interesting
- ❖ Your writing has a main idea
- ❖ You are communicating an important message to your reader
- ❖ You include important details
- ❖ You "show" your readers and not just tell them
- ❖ You have a lot of knowledge and experience to share with your readers

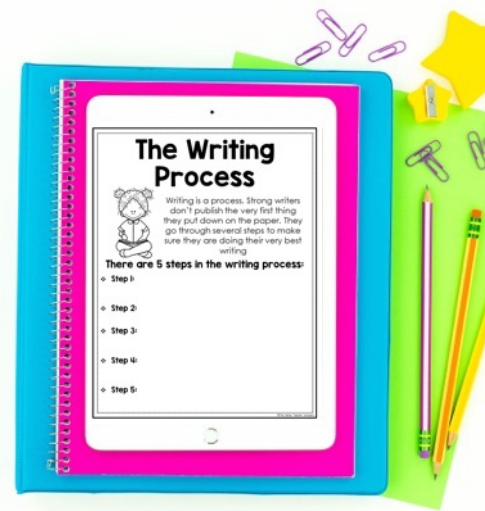
SO MANY OPTIONS...

EACH CHART INCLUDES 4 PRINTING OPTIONS...



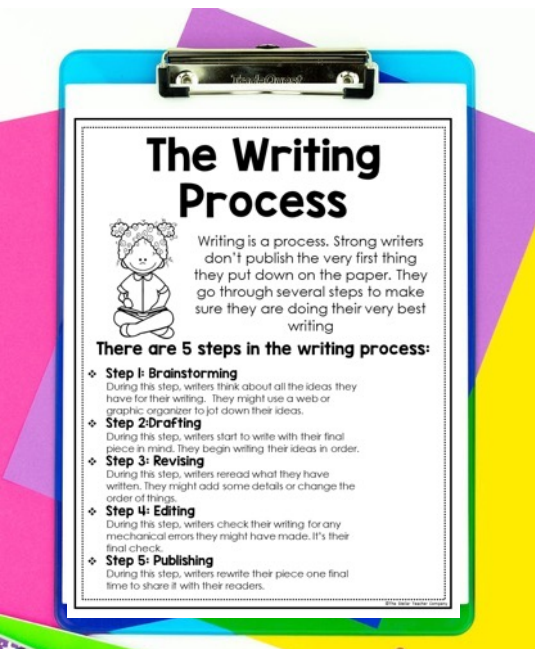
HALF PAGE OPTIONS

Each chart can be printed as a half page. They are the perfect fit for student journals.



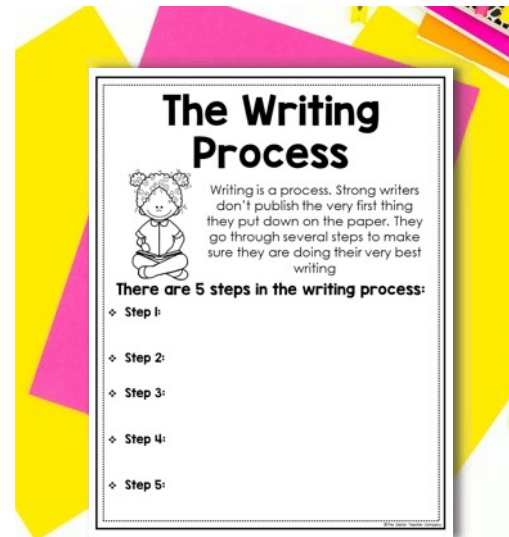
DIGITAL VERSION

A digital option created using Google Slides is included to make it easy to tech virtually.



FULL PAGE OPTIONS

The full page options work great for your whole group lessons or to display on a bulletin board.



FILL-IN OPTION

You have the option of printing a fill-in template so students can take their own notes during a lesson.



“Thank you so much for this resource! My students always have difficulty in knowing what they need to do when revising and editing and this will be a great resource for them when they revise and edit their writing pieces!”

- J.L.

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Save Time

NEVER CREATING AN ANCHOR CHART

AGAIN!

works in both
VIRTUAL &
In person
CLASSROOMS



Expand Vocabulary

Expand vocabulary refers to the words you choose to incorporate into your writing. It is important to use descriptive words and words your reader understands.



Remember:

Use a variety of specific and exciting words to keep your reader engaged in your writing.

When you expand your vocabulary...

- ❖ You use specific describing and action words in your writing
- ❖ You use words your reader will know and understand
- ❖ You use synonyms for commonly used words
- ❖ You incorporate figurative language

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