4th Grade

1st Trimester On-demand Narrative Writing Task

**Today you will write a real or imagined narrative (a story). You may choose to write your narrative in prose or in a play script structure.**

**You may write your own story/play script idea or choose from these:**

* **A time when something important happened to you.**
* **An imaginary time when two (or more) characters had a problem to solve.**

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| **As you DRAFT your writing, be sure to:** | | | |
|  | **If you are writing a story -** |  | **If you are writing a play script -** |
|  | Begin your story with:   * a setting * characters or a narrator |  | Begin your play script with:   * a setting * a cast of characters |
|  | Tell your story in the order of what happened |  | Tell your story mainly through dialogue  and  Clearly indicate who is speaking every time |
|  | Use transitional words and phrases such as: *then, next, suddenly, after that, in the meantime* |
|  | Include dialogue and description |  | Include stage directions that describe   * how characters speak * how characters act * the passage of time |
|  | Use sensory details |
|  | Include an ending |  | Include an ending |
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| **As you EDIT your writing, check your:** | | | |
|  | Capitalization | | |
|  | Sentences | | |
|  | Punctuation | | |
|  | Spelling | | |