5th Grade

1st Trimester On-demand Writing Prompt

**Today you will write a response to literature in the form of an “I believe” analytical essay.**

**Please analyze the attached poem, “The Folks Inside” by Shel Silverstein, for theme and connection(s) to a belief or understanding you have.**

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| **As you DRAFT your writing, be sure to:** | |
|  | Include an engaging lead-in |
|  | State the belief in the introduction |
|  | Tell how the belief connects to your life, using examples from your life |
|  | Tell how the belief connects to the attached text.   * Include specific examples from the text |
|  | Use transitional words to connect ideas such as, *in addition, conversely, specifically, consequently* |
|  | Summarize your ideas in the conclusion |
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| **As you EDIT your writing, check your:** | |
|  | Capitalization |
|  | Sentences |
|  | Punctuation |
|  | Spelling |