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LESSON 6

Understanding the Traits

Word Choice,
Sentence Fluency
and Conventions



Review

Traits of Good Writing



Start with great ideas.

Organization

Beginning

Middle

Ending

Make sure your writing has three parts.



Sound you are really interested in your topic.

Word Choice



Sentence Fluency



Conventions



Today we'll learn...

Traits of Good Writing



Word Choice



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Choose your words carefully.

Compare the two sentences and think about the question:
Which one creates a clearer picture in your mind?



A A boy came into the room.

B Marcus tiptoed into the kitchen.

Let's Learn

Word Choice

We use **specific words** to make our writing **much clearer** and **more fun** to read.

General Words (not clear)

A A boy came into the room.

B Marcus tiptoed into the kitchen.

Specific Words (clear)

Can you give
more examples?



Let's Do

Choose specific words for the underlined ones.

1

Jack is walking down the road.

A. wandering

B. flying

C. jumping

2

The house is very old.

A. family

B. cottage

C. garden

Use specific words to make them much clearer!



Use different lengths of sentences.

Read the sentences below. Are they easy to understand?

1 I saw a giraffe eating and eating green leaves the giraffe was hungry.

2 Jack got wet. It rained heavily.



Let's Learn



To make our sentences easy to understand and logical, we need to use **short sentences**.

1 I saw a giraffe eating and eating green leaves the giraffe was hungry.

2 I saw a giraffe eating and eating green leaves. **T**he giraffe was hungry.



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Use different lengths of sentences.

① Jack got wet. It rained heavily.

② Jack got wet **because** it rained heavily.



To make our sentences more fluent to read, we need to use **long sentences.**



1

It's fun to watch flowers
grow when they bloom, I
pick them for my mom.

Your Sentence(s):

2

She was late for school.
She got up late.

Your Sentence(s):



Check the capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.

Read the sentences. Are there any mistakes in them? Mark them out!



Rex barked. He saw a rabbit and
chased it across the yard. He ran
fast, but the rabbit ran faster



Let's Learn

Conventions

Conventions are writing rules we follow when we write.

After writing, you can check the list to see if we follow the rule correctly.



Did you check?

Capitalization

- ☒ 1. Did you start each sentence with a capital letter?
- ☒ 2. Did you capitalize the first letter of names?

Punctuation

- ☒ 3. Did you end each sentence with the correct punctuation mark?

Spelling

- ☒ 4. Did you spell all your words correctly?



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Traits of Good Writing

Ideas



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Voice



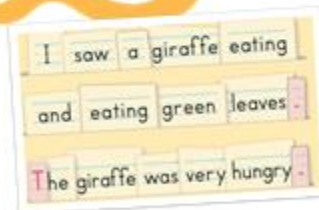
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Word Choice



Use the specific words.

Sentence Fluency



Use different lengths of sentences.

Conventions

- ☒ Capital letters ≡
- ☒ End marks ○
- ☒ Spelling ○

Follow the rules for writing.