

# Expository Writing

- Expository writing explains ideas.
- It presents true and accurate information.
- It gives directions. It tells:
  - how to do something
  - how something works
  - how to get from one place to another
- It must be clear and well-organized.
- It must contain adequate information to support the main idea.

How does this work?



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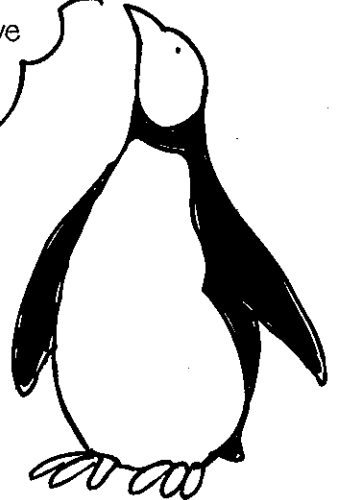
## Steps to Follow

Name \_\_\_\_\_



- 1.** Pick a topic.
- 2.** Think about the type of writing you will use:
  - an explanation
  - a news article
  - directions
  - an informational paragraph
- 3.** Make an outline.
- 4.** Write a rough draft. State the subject or main idea and provide facts and/or examples to support it.
- 5.** Revise the language of your piece.
- 6.** Edit the punctuation and grammar of your piece.
- 7.** Share your writing with others.

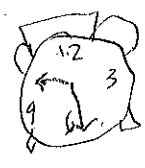
I wish they would get their facts right. I live at the South Pole!



# Brainstorming Web

play fairly  
 - no one is hurt  
 - everyone is included  
 - have fun  
 - solve problems together

transition words: first, secondly, during, and



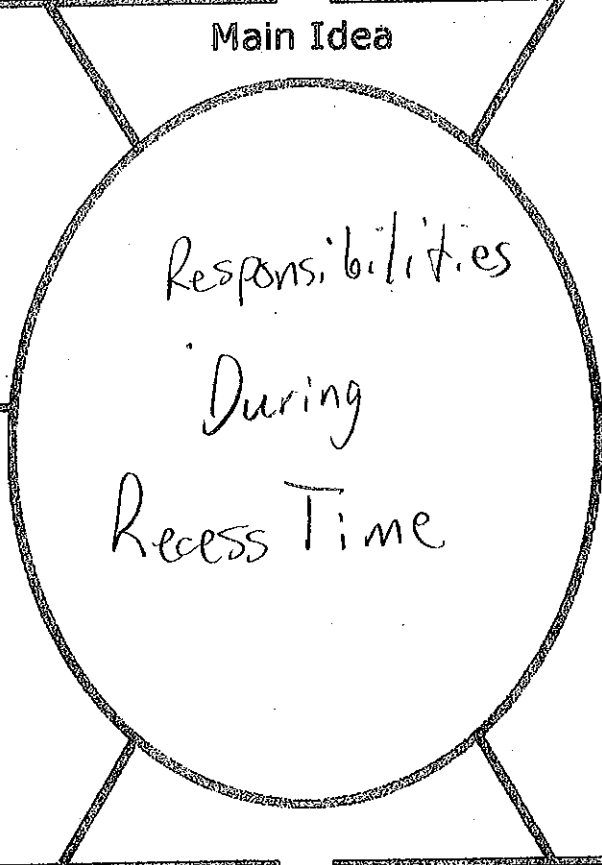
Come in from recess:  
 line up, boots away, hang up clothes, tidy room

A responsibility: a personal task one has that they must meet or follow.

- being on time
- putting yourself
- clothes away

Students' job not the teachers.  
 - not hard - shouldn't be reminded

Get ready for recess:  
 Proper clothes: jacket, mitts, toque.  
 Boots in winter.  
 If you don't dress - you will become sick



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## Paragraph Planning Sheet



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Topic: Responsibilities During Recess Time.

Type of Paragraph: Explanation

Main Idea: Students have responsibilities during recess time that need to be completed.

### Facts and/or Examples:

- Introductory: Topic sentence: Did you know students have a variety of responsibilities during recess?
  - define responsibility
  - done before recess
  - easy
- Body 1: getting ready, not just running outside. - put your clothes on and you're dismissed. - if you don't wear clothes you'll be sick ← an example
- Body 2: when the bell rings, line up, come inside put away clothes. example ⇒ if you don't follow these steps, the room will be a mess, could trip and be injured.
- Conclusion - sum up responsibilities at recess. - restate the topic sentence. ⇒ If these rules are observed and tasks completed, recess will be fun for everyone.