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Favorite Clean Jokes
(*Pink September Bingo Card: C5*)

Write 2-3 of your favorite clean jokes. Add to the list throughout the year.

Pet Email

(Pink September Bingo Card: D5)

If a pet could email its owner, what would it say?
Don't forget a greeting (Dear____,) and closure (Sincerely, _____).

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Perfect Day
(*Pink September Bingo Card: D2*)

Launch a list or a creative description that captures your idea of a perfect day.

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Favorite Food
(*Pink September Bingo Card: A1*)

Create a half- or full page tribute to your favorite food. Use words and pictures!

ABC Genre

(class activity: Written Anything Good Lately? By S. Allen)

Genre (“zhan-ruh”) – a specific type of writing

A	AUTOBIOGRAPHY	N	NEWSLETTER
B	BOOK	O	OUTLINE
C	CARDS	P	PLAY
D	DIRECTIONS	Qu	QUIZ
E	ESSAY	R	REPORT
F	FABLE	S	SPEECH
G	GREETINGS	T	THANK YOU NOTE
H	HAIKU	U	USERNAME
I	INVITATION	V	VERSE (POETRY)
J	JOURNAL	W	WORDWALLS
K	KUDOS	X	X’S AND O’S
L	LETTERS	Y	YEARBOOK
M	MYTHS	Z	ZIGZAGS & ZEROS

Annoying Adult Rules

(class activity: Secret Knowledge of Adults by David Wisniewski)

We read about several rules adults have for kids in the book Secret Knowledge of Adults. How many more can you brainstorm? Add as many as you can to David Wisniewski's list below.

- Eat your vegetables
- Drink plenty of milk
- Comb your hair
- Don't blow bubbles in your milk
- Don't play with your food
- Don't jump on your bed
- Don't bite your fingernails
- Don't pick your nose

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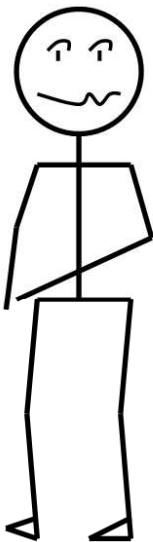
Totally Terrified
(*Pink September Bingo Card: D4*)

"I was totally terrified!" Write a short narrative where this is your first sentence. Illustrate it!

Mr. Stick

Mr. Stick's

Drawing Lesson









































































- ✓ Draw a circle about the size of a quarter
- ✓ Add a little neck
- ✓ $\frac{3}{4}$'s shoulder rule
- ✓ Create the spine, giving you a female symbol
- ✓ PPP rule (Perfectly Parallel Pelvis)
- ✓ Two jointed arms (don't fear lines that cross)
- ✓ Two jointed legs (not too angular)
- ✓ Hands and feet? Optional!
- ✓ Add a facial expression, props, or background
- ✓ Give him a dialogue bubble and say something!

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Mr. Stick's Emotions

Mr. Stick's Emotional Faces—Keep this Handout in your Notebook! Always give Mr. Stick a face!

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	 AGGRESSIVE	 AGONIZED	 ANXIOUS	 APOLOGETIC	 ARROGANT	 BASHFUL	 BLISSFUL
B	 BORED	 CAUTIOUS	 COLD	 CONCENTRATING	 CONFIDENT	 CURIOUS	 DEMURE
C	 DETERMINED	 DISAPPOINTED	 DISAPPROVING	 DISBELIEVING	 DISGUSTING	 DISTASTEFUL	 EAVESDROPPING
D	 ECSTATIC	 ENRAGED	 ENVOUS	 EXASPERATED	 EXHAUSTED	 FRIGHTENED	 FRUSTRATED
E	 GRIEVING	 GUILTY	 HAPPY	 HORRIFIED	 HOT	 HUNGRY	 HURRY
F	 HYSTERICAL	 INDIFFERENT	 IDiotic	 INNOCENT	 INTERESTED	 JEALOUS	 JOYFUL
G	 LONELY	 LOVING	 LOVESTRUCK	 MEDITATIVE	 MISCHIEVOUS	 MISERABLE	 NEGATIVE
H	 OBSTINATE	 OPTIMISTIC	 PAINED	 PARANOID	 PERPLEXED	 PROUD	 PUZZLED
I	 REGRETFUL	 RELIEVED	 SAD	 SATISFIED	 SHOCKED	 SHEEPISH	 SHY
J	 SULKY	 SURPRISED	 SUSPICIOUS	 SYMPATHETIC	 THOUGHTFUL	 UNDECIDED	 WITHDRAWN

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Picture Day Comic
(*Gold October Bingo Card: C5*)

Create a comic that shows a student having the worst school picture day ever!

- Must use 2 pages
- Must have at least 8 boxes in the comic strip
- Must include dialogue bubbles
- Must be colored

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Rainy Recess
(*Gold October Bingo Card: D5*)

Generate a list of things to do (5-10) inside during a rainy recess instead of going outside to catch cold.

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Breakfast Cereal Battle
(*Gold October Bingo Card: D3*)

What breakfast cereals feud the most? Answer this question creatively in your notebook.

Memoir

(we used this page in class to brainstorm for our memoir; below is my teacher sample)

Possible topics:

- Cat knocks off vase in middle of night
 - Lady passes out during marathon
 - Fell during roller blading
-

WHO: me, sister, sister's friends, cute boys

WHAT: face-planted in front of cute boys when rollerblading with sister & friends

WHERE: beach, San Diego, CA

WHEN: summer, during college: I was ~20 years old

WHY: I was visiting my sister; I hadn't been on wheel since the 80s

DETAILS:

- Rollerblades were borrowed & 3 sizes too big
- Needed to wear several extra pairs of socks
- Was always behind the group; NOT a good rollerblader
- Used to rollerskates from the 80s, not blades
- Self-fulfilling prophecy: I thought I'd fall in front of the boys and I did
- No one helped; the boys laughed at me

Onomatopoeia
(*Gold October Bingo Card: C1*)

Start a page where you can record onomatopoetic words throughout the year.

Beep
Croak
Snap
Click
Buzz
Zap
Bing/bong
Ding/dong
Woosh
Swish
Gurgle
Gulp
Plop
Groan
Crack
Roar
Crackle
Hiss
Clap
Pop

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What I Do Well
(*Gold October Bingo Card: B1*)

Explain/Illustrate with detailed steps how you do something you're pretty good at doing.
You should include approximately 7-10 steps.

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Living the Dream
(*Orange November Bingo Card: D5*)

If you could design it, what would your *dream bedroom* be?

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Favorite Month/Season
(*Orange November Bingo Card: D2*)

Create a half- or full-page tribute to your favorite month/season.

Thank You
(in class writing assignment)

Choose a teacher who made a positive difference in your life.
Brainstorm what you liked about his/her:

- personality
- teaching style
- lessons
- classroom
- activities

Family Traditions
(in class writing assignment)

What is a tradition?

- Repeated every year/month/week/period of time
- Special, meaningful
- Passed down over the generations
- Can be started by family, friends, teams, countries, religion, ethic groups

Describe your family traditions by brainstorming as many details as you can for each category:

Holidays

Summer

Religion

Birthdays

Vacation/Trips

Sports

Back to School

Family Night/Family Time

Best/Worst of 2013
(in class writing assignment)

Using complete sentences, list 5 (or more) of the **BEST** moments of your life from 2013.

Examples:

- In fifth grade I did not get along with Maddie R., but this year we have become really close friends.
 - I FINALLY got an A on a spelling test in English!
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Using complete sentences, list 5 (or more) of the **WORST** moments of your life from 2013.

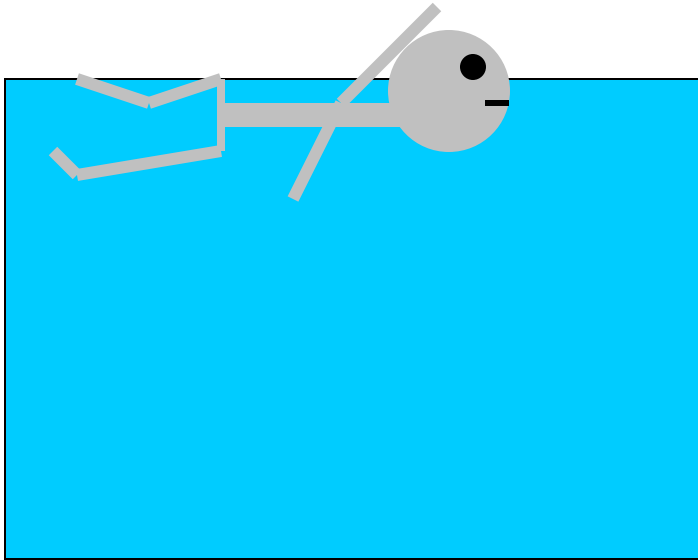
Examples:

- The best pet in the whole world, my golden retriever, Max, had to be put to sleep over Thanksgiving break. I still miss him!
- The first week of school I spilled milk all over my new jeans. By the time I got home they smelled awful!

Hopes for 2014
(in class writing assignment)

Separate your page into 4 sections. In each, write a caption (complete sentence) that describes a hope you have for the new year, 2014. Illustrate each caption with a colored picture.

EXAMPLE:



This summer I hope to beat my personal
Freestyle record at the Haverford Swim Club.

Advertising Techniques
(in class writing assignment)

LOADED WORDS

Using words that appeal to the emotions, rather than facts.

"The sporty new design of our cars will make you feel like a teenager again!"

CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENT

Using a famous person to endorse a product.

"Michael Jordan uses it...so should you!"

PRODUCT COMPARISON

Comparing one product to another and claiming that one is better.

"Auntie Joanne's Cookies are preferred over the leading brand!"

BANDWAGON

Makes it seem as though everyone is using this product, and so should you.

"Don't be the last person in your neighborhood to get a Lawn Happy mower."

SNOB APPEAL

Promises status, wealth, or to feel superior - makes buyer feel like they will be part of an elite group if they use the product

"Old Spice: the man your man could smell like."

GENERALITIES

Making bold claims without support

"McDonald's: America's favorite!"

HUMOR

Makes audience laugh; gives little product information



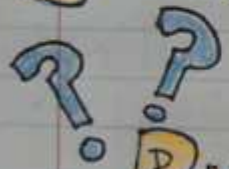

PLAIN FOLKS

Uses everyday people to persuade you to buy a product. Makes the viewer believe that the people in the ad are just like you.

"Momma's got the magic of Clorox!"

Collective Nouns
(in class grammar assignment)

COLLECTIVE NOUN RIDDLE
WHICH TWO ARE REAL? WHICH TWO ARE MADE UP?

<p>a FLUTTER of KITES</p>  <p>On a gusty day in Central Park, a flutter of kites sail the skies.</p>	<p>a CHARM of HUMMINGBIRDS</p>  <p>Swarming around the backyard feeder, the charm of hummingbirds fought for the nectar.</p>
<p>a CONUNDRUM of RIDDLES</p>  <p>My writer's notebook contains a conundrum of riddles... like this one.</p>	<p>a COMPANY of ACTORS</p>  <p>The company of actors performed in Central Park.</p>

Spring Brainstorm
(April AI)

ADJ	NOUN	VERB	PIC
<i>Example:</i> STRIPED	YELLOW JACKETS	BUZZING	
<i>Example:</i> CHILLY	RAIN DROPS	DRIZZLING	

How To Brainstorm
(writing assignment)

Brainstorm what you are good at. Choose one topic for your How To essay. Write a thesis statement below your brainstorm.



Thesis statement: Although embarrassing at times, falling down can be an impressive skill if done properly.

How To Plan
(*writing assignment*)

Map out your ideas for your How To essay:

PARAGRAPH 1 INTRO:

- Thesis statement
- Share a personal story
- How did you become interested in this topic?
- How did you first learn this?
- Why might someone enjoy or try this?

PARAGRAPHS 2-4 BODY: (*First you must decide if you need 1, 2, or 3 body paragraphs*)

- List materials
- Describe steps in order
- May use “I, we, us, you” etc in this essay (informal tone/style)

LAST PARAGRAPH CONCLUSION:

- How long will it take to “perfect” the process?
- What are the benefits to doing this?
- How might this change someone’s life (for the better or worse)?
- Encourage the reader to give it a try!

Dream Weekend
(April Bingo D1)

If money were not an issue, what would your dream weekend be?
Describe using pictures and words.