Narrative Writing Unit Assignments

(Turned in to Classkick)

These should be a picture or scan of the student's work (use a camera, phone, or computer scanner to make the image digital). I expect to see handwriting and student mistakes. It helps me know what to work on with that student. I will be checking Classkick and commenting on their work.

Week of:	Writing Class Connect Session Lesson Focus:	Due Date:	Explanation:
Oct 12 th - Oct 16th	 Distinguish "small moments" from big ideas, (small seed stories vs. watermelon stories) Brainstorm list of 3 small story ideas with big feelings to use throughout the Narrative Writing Unit. 	Oct 21st	A list of 3 narrative story ideas: • A story that happened to the student • Small memory with strong feelings that has lots of detail Example: Seed Ideas • Biking around Mackinac Island with Mr. Frey • Ricking my cat Nox out at the shelter with Mr. Frey and Lydia • Getting the keys to my house!
Oct 19 th - Oct 23 rd	 Identifying beginning, middle, and end in mentor texts. Choose 1 story idea for my own small moment story Rehearse and retell my small moment story 	N/A	Start thinking about your own small moment story Plan and organize a story using a picture sketch. (Students choose an idea from their seed list and organize it with a sketch map). Flow chart: Beginning, middle, and end Example: Beginning Middle End

Oct 26 th -Oct 30 th	 Tell the difference between a summarizing and storytelling voice. Use a storytelling voice in my own writing. Write sentences with action verbs and sensory adjectives to the picture sketch (draft). 	Nov 4 th	Rough Draft (in sketch format) Should include intro, at least 3 events, conclusion (5 sentences at minimum) Transitional words (first, next, last) Handwritten by student Can include a drawing or picture sketch (optional) I expect student mistakes! Example: Catchy lead: When do you get to take a trip to a romantic, old fashioned island with hip to a romantic, old fashioned island with his constitution. First, Mr. Frey and I brought our bakes on the cloudy day but I could be said. Next, I stopped to look piles of rocks by the water in and why? Then, I put my fingers in ato see how cold it was. The water was freezing! Last, I was 8 miles. I was pooped! I sat on a bench and said. "Let's go eat shoulete"
Nov 2 nd - Nov 6 th	 Add an Exploded Moment to my writing. Use a storytelling voice in my own writing. Create my own catchy lead sentence. Create my own strong ending sentence. 	N/A	Check the grading rubric so I can add what I need to write my best narrative small moment story!

Nov 9 th - Nov 13 th	 Add dialogue to my story and check to make sure I use quotation marks correctly. Create a writing goal to determine how I want to make my small moment story even better! Writer's Celebration: Share Final Draft Stories with the class. 	Uploaded to Classkick by Nov 18 th !	Use the editing checklist and student exemplars to improve our writing. Use Rough draft to write the Final Draft. Example: Writing Checklist Name CAPITAL letter at the beginning Finger spaces between my words Punctuation at the end of my sentence(s): ?! My sentence makes sense when I read it doud Handwriting is neat and legible Aa Bb Cc Dd My picture matches my words • Final Draft A Final Draft includes: • Introduction sentence (catchy lead) • 3 events with transition words (first, next, last), action verbs and sensory adjectives
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Nov 16 th - Nov 20 th	Writer's Celebration: Share Final Draft Stories with the class.	N/A	Final Draft. A Final Draft includes: • Introduction sentence (catchy lead) • 3 events with transition words (first, next, last), action verbs and sensory adjectives • Strong ending • Details in words and pictures