Writing: Creative Writing

Monday	SELECT a creative writing topic Create a WEB, BRAINSTORM or OUTLINE for your writing piece	See next page for a list of 3 topics to choose from. You will select ONE topic to write about this week. Each topic also has a link for a short video to watch which will help to further explain the writing prompt. Create a web, brainstorm or outline for your writing piece. You can do this on a blank sheet of paper and organize it in any way you wish
Tuesday	DRAFT	Using your web or brainstorm from yesterday, today you will write your DRAFT story. Be sure to include all of the details or suggestions provided in the video prompt. Be sure to double-space your story, where you are writing it by hand or typing it on your computer. You will need the extra space to edit. Take a photo or upload a copy of your DRAFT story
Wednesday	REVISE	 Add "spice" to your DRAFT to make it more interesting to read: → ensure you have a variety of sentence lengths and transition words → add 'triple scoop', or more interesting vocabulary → add other literary elements such as alliterations, metaphors, etc
Thursday	PROOFREAD & EDIT	 Re-read your new version & make final edits: → do your sentences make sense? → check for spelling, punctuation & grammar errors → check for proper paragraphs Use the Criteria grid to ensure that your story has met all of the criteria for a Proficient piece of writing
Friday	GOOD COPY	 Write your GOOD COPY Upload or submit to your teacher the following: → your web/brainstorm page → your first DRAFT → your REVISED/EDITED copy → your final GOOD COPY Extension: Early finishers can add an illustration or title page for the piece of writing.

Creative Writing Prompts

Watch all 3 of the writing prompt videos listed below (*each video is about 1 minute long*). Then select the topic that you are most interested in writing about.

You Just Discovered a Magical Movie Theater	https://youtu.be/8ow2ibWNzBg
What will life be like in 2057?	https://youtu.be/VBAQLofU1ag
Invent a School for Ninjas	https://youtu.be/LIGqDx5yEOI

Writing Criteria

Your final GOOD COPY should be 1 to 2 pages typed, 12 point font, single-spaced, which is about 600-1000 words.

Writing Aspect	What it looks like in a Proficient piece of writing
Meaning * ideas and information * use of details	 → Writing is straightforward; there is some originality or individuality → There are supporting details and descriptions
Style * clear, varied and impactful language	 → Writing is varied; there is some sensory details (alliteration, metaphors, personification, similes, etc). Some figurative language → Sentences are varied and interesting
Forms * beginning, middle and end * logical sequence * setting & characters included	 → Writing follows a logical sequence; beginning introduces the topic → Writing develops logically to an appropriate ending → Setting is described and characters are developed
Conventions * complete sentences * spelling, punctuation & grammar * word choice	 → Writing is in complete sentences with only a few spelling, punctuation and/or grammar errors. → Errors do not interfere with the meaning of the writing → Most sentences are correctly constructed → Good copy is clearly and neatly presented