

# WROTEBOOKS

What are Wrotebooks? Everyday you come into class, there will be a prompt up, either on the board or on Echo. You will write the day's date and the prompt at the top. Then, using the first five minutes of class, I want you to put your pen to the paper and *write*. Freewrite. Answer the prompt with the first thing that comes from your brain. Just thoughts translating down onto paper.

Why am I making you do this? Because I want you to remember how to handwrite. I want you to get in the habit of being able to go from your brain straight to paper. I want you to discover what you *like* about writing. What subjects spark your interest. What styles fit your personality. To stretch your imagination. Being very philosophical here, people.

There will be all types of prompts. Imaginary ones, deep ones. Sometimes I'll give you a quote and I'll want you to analyze it. Sometimes I'll give you a picture and I want you to describe it, or write your thoughts on it. I'll even give you some dialogue starters and you have to create a story, or a scene, based on that first sentence. It's gonna be a mix of stuff.

## Some Examples...

### Creative Prompts

1. You wake up and find yourself in your five-year-old body and back in time. How do you spend your first 24 hours?
2. Write three haiku's about your favorite color, Halloween, and your school.
3. If you would not be able to see one color for the rest of your life, what would you pick?
4. Everybody in the world has disappeared except for you. Describe the first 24 hours.
5. Would you rather be a skunk or an opossum? Explain.
6. Take two of your favorite book characters and have them meet in a coffee shop. What is their conversation like?
7. Make up a disease. Include the name, symptoms, and cure.
8. Describe your hair.
9. Would you rather have free starbucks for a year or free itunes for a year?
10. Batman versus Superman.
11. If you could have a conversation with anyone in history, alive or dead, who would it be? Why?

### Real World Stuff

1. Think of someone you admire in life. What about them do you admire?
2. What is a career that you would NOT like to do? Explain.
3. When making a movie, would you rather be the director, actor, special effects, or tech? Explain.
4. Write down one of the most vivid memory you have. This does not have to be a good memory, sometimes the bad ones are just as vivid.
5. What is your favorite month, and why?
6. What is your favorite holiday, and why?
7. What would you do if you were handed a check for 1 million dollars?

## Image Trigger



What is the message of this picture?



Describe what you would be feeling at this moment.



Write the inner dialogue this frog is thinking.



Write as if you were one of the divers.

## Dialogue Starters

1. "The only fairytale that makes sense is..."
2. "Why can't you listen for once?"
3. "My worst nightmare came true."
4. "Oops."
5. "How was I to know the place was haunted?"
6. "I think I killed her."