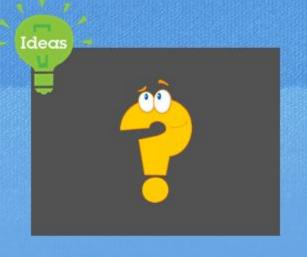


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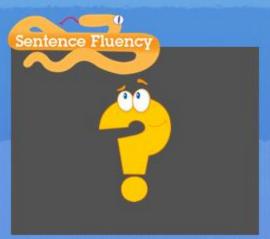
What are the traits of good writing?



















Start with good ideas.

Owen wants to write about something.

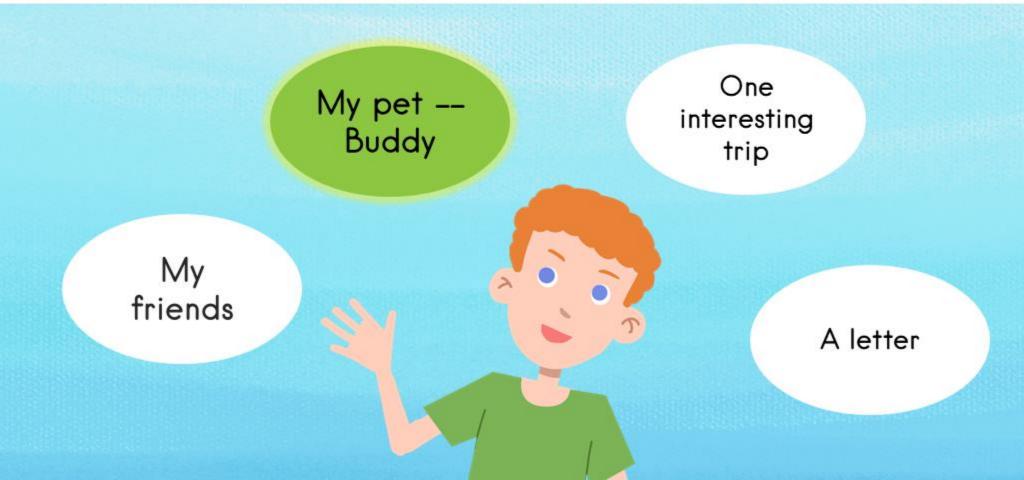
Can you tell what he is doing right now?





Good ideas help us list and decide what to write about.

Which one did Owen choose as the topic?





Good ideas also help you gather interesting details about your topic.

What ideas did Owen get about his topic?

My Buddy Topic: Details: Eat strange things Spend time with me Walk me to the bus Wait for me Sleep on my bed



Let's Do

Write down ideas of what you want to write about.



Gather details of what you know about it.



Topic:

Details:

Organization

Make your writing easy to follow.

Based on his details, Owen writes about his Buddy in three parts.

Can you find the three parts? What does each part talk about?

My Buddy

I'm Owen, and my dog is my best buddy. Can you guess what his name is? That's right! It's Buddy.

Buddy eats strange things. He chews on rugs and bones. He likes liver. Once he even ate a raw fish. He smelled awful after that. Buddy always spends time with me. Every morning, he walks me to the school bus. He's always waiting at the bus stop when I get home. At night, my best buddy sleeps on my bed.

It's great fun to be with my best buddy. We love each other!

Beginning

Middle

Ending



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It talks about

your topic of

the writing.

Organization means making your writing clear and easy to follow. Writing in three parts can help you.

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Middle

It adds more details about your topics.

Ending

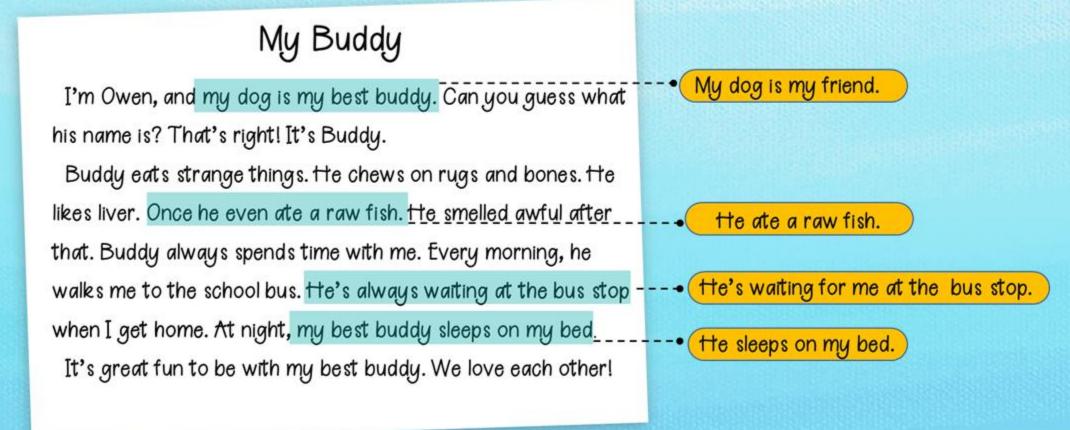
It shares
your feelings.

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Sound you are really interested in your topic.

Compare these sentences, which ones do you think show Owen's interest in talking about his buddy?





Voice means to write like you're really interested in the topic.

It makes your readers feel like you're talking in front of them.

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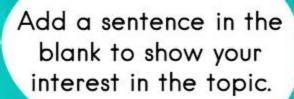
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The trick is you just need to imagine you're talking to a good friend!



Think and do.

Can you mark out the three parts?



Our Sailing Adventure

Last summer, I had an adventure with my grandma. We went to the harbor in Baltimore to sail on a tall ship.

First, we pulled on ropes to help put up the sails. Then we sailed out to sea. Soon we couldn't even see land. Squawking seagulls flew around us. When the crew first fired a cannon, the noise, and smoke scared me.

Grandma and I had a great time. I can't wait for our next adventure.

Wrap-up



Worksheets: P5

Traits of Good Writing







