

Composition Writing

— For Primary School English ——

THE LEARNING LAB

TLL's WISE Method

Writing = **I**deas + **S**tructure + **E**xpression

In primary school, compositions are evaluated on content and language. More specifically, a good composition must have these three elements:

- Relevant to the theme and visuals
- Generates a high level of interest in the reader
- Shows precision in the use of language







Students learn how to:

- Generate ideas that are interesting and relevant
- 2. Evaluate ideas
- 3. Choose ideas that fit the theme and visuals
- 4. Connect the ideas seamlessly

Students learn how to:

STRUCTURE

- 1. Use a story curve to plot a narrative
- 2. Ensure there is a believable flow of events in the story

Students learn to enrich their stories by:

- Varying sentence and phrase structure
- 2. Using appropriate vocabulary
- 3. Applying special writing techniques

What Makes a Successful Composition?

There are many elements needed to form a successful composition.

Here are three such elements:



A relevant plot

- Addresses the theme and visuals of the question
- Has a build up leading to action, a climax, and includes a conclusion



Insightful use of vocabulary

- Vocabulary that is directly related to the character or scene
- Vivid and original descriptions of people, places and things



Good use of grammar

- Variation in sentence structure
- Sentences are grammatically sound
- · Grammar rules are followed

A Systematic Approach to Honing Composition Writing Skills

At every stage of your child's learning journey, he or she will learn specific composition writing skills related to structure, ideas and expression.

Have a look at some of the essential writing skills that are taught in our English classes.

Primary 1 & 2

Write a clear story with a logical sequence of events using basic literary techniques.

What your child will learn:

- Write a story based on the series of pictures provided
- Link theme to the story
- Write a logical sequence of events
- Learn basic literary techniques such as five-senses description, show-not-tell, dialogue and dialogue tag.
- Use short and complete sentences that accurately express the intended meaning

Primary 3 & 4

Write a good story with a structure using a range of literary techniques.

What your child will learn:

- Write a story through creating story ideas relating to the theme and visuals
- Link the theme and visuals to the story
- Use the story curve to plan and write a logical story
- Build on literary techniques such as slow motion and simple characterisation
- Vary sentence structure and word choice to make the story interesting

Primary 5 & 6

Write an engaging story with a clear structure and thoughtful use of literary techniques.

What your child will learn:

- Create story ideas relating to the theme and visuals
- Link the theme and visuals to the story in a coherent manner
- Use more complex literary techniques such as flashback, foreshadowing, hook and characterisation
- Learn to edit pieces of writing for clarity in terms of grammar and phrasing.
- Learn to edit pieces of writing to correct logical errors

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