

Remember those Dear Basketball poems we wrote to a hobby/activity we love to do?

Write a new **poem** to an aspect of school that you miss the most during this time.

geo- earth
rupt- burst/break
astro-star/space

Come up with at least 12 words using these **roots** and use each in a meaningful sentence.

Ex: The geologist studied the rocks he dug up out of the ground.

Write an **informative letter** (5 paragraphs) to your future grandchild informing them about the events of the Corona Virus 2020. Use facts, quotes, and of course **explain!**

As you read any text, create a list of **introductory phrases** followed by a comma.

Ex: Later that night,
In the graph below,
Additionally,

Using a newspaper (online or print) or a nonfiction article, look for four types of **embedded quotes**:

- Introduced with a complete sentence:
- Introductory phrase,
- Introduced with a paraphrase
- Short quotes embedded within author's own words

8th Grade

English Language Arts

As you read your book, create a list of words that are capitalized because they are **proper nouns**. Look for names of specific people, places, and things.

In a nonfiction text like a magazine or newspaper article, look for various **quotation** examples:

- Direct quotes
- Article titles
- Nicknames or slang
- Etc.

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Write a **thank you letter** to a healthcare worker. They are working extra long hours in difficult circumstances right now. Thank them for their courage, hard work, and for taking care of those in need. **Mail it** to a hospital!

Write a **silly story** from the **perspective of something in your home** that would notice how much more time you are spending at home. A pet, the fridge, the wif, the couch, etc.

I am missing sports! Are you? Persuade your best friend to join a sports team with you. Write your **best 5 paragraph, structured persuasive essay** and don't forget to explain your reasons with detail.

Using a newspaper (online or print) or a nonfiction article, highlight the various ways the author cites their information by citing a speaker, company, chart, etc.

Highlight the various **citations** in the text.

In the book you are reading, find at least one word per page where the author included **context clues** a reader could use to infer the meaning of the word.