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DIRECTIONS

Print cards. Cut out a title prompt task card. Fold it in half on the dotted line. Glue together. Repeat with all the cards. Laminate for durability, if desired.

The task cards provide guidance with the writing process. This is important for students who feel like they aren't creative, or students who don't know what to write. The task card includes a series of questions to help student generate writing ideas.

Day One: Have your student choose one task card. Give the student a piece of paper to write all his or her ideas on. This prewriting process can be called a "brain dump," and it can be a place where the student answers the questions on the chosen task card.

Day Two: Have your student write a draft of a story (or list—depending on the prompt).

Day Three: Go over the draft with your student. Tell him what he has done well and give him a few suggestions. Have him write his final work on the stationery page provided (the one that matches his task card).

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Write a story with the caption below as your title.



HOW TO TAME A DINOSAUR

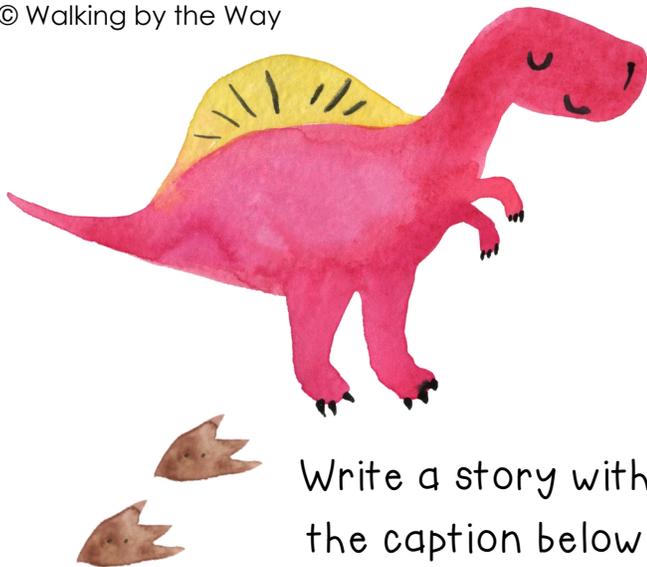


WRITING IDEAS

You met a dinosaur in the wild, and you want to bring him home. However, he is ferocious!

How are you going to tame the fierce beast? This is a problem. Will you use chocolate candies? Will you try reading to him (maybe a book about manners)? Do you have other ideas?

Once you tame him, will he be your pet? Will you teach your dinosaur tricks? Will you be able to ride on his back? Will you take him to the park? What other things will you do?



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THE FRIENDLY DINOSAUR



WRITING IDEAS

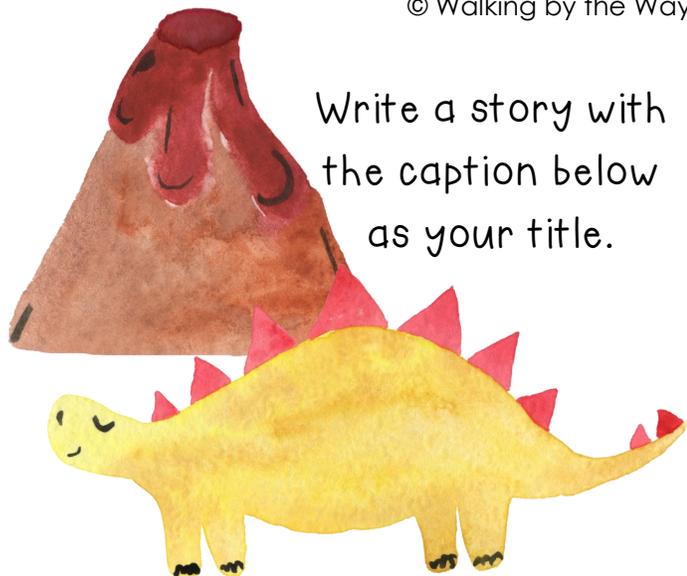
How did you find this friendly dinosaur?

What things did the dinosaur do to let you know that he was friendly? Did he smile at you and shake your hand? Did he play hide and seek with you? Give specific examples in your story.

Try to include a problem in your story. What goes wrong? Did the friendly dinosaur go missing? Did he get sick from eating human food? Did he lose his roar?

Include a solution to your problem before you finish your story.

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THE DARING DINO ADVENTURE



WRITING IDEAS

You are going on a daring adventure with a dinosaur!

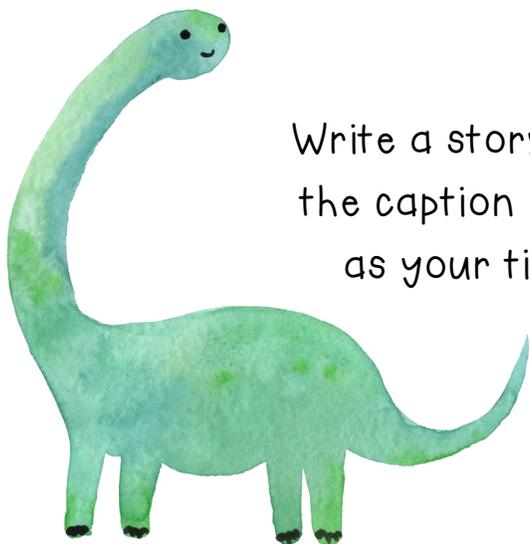
Start your story with a setting. Where are you? Describe the place.

Who is with you? Describe each character. What do they look like? How do they act? What are their names?

What problem is going to pop up in this story? Will it be an erupting volcano? A forest infested with a gang of thieving dinosaurs?

Make sure you solve the problem before you finish your story.

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THE MYSTERIOUS EGG



WRITING IDEAS

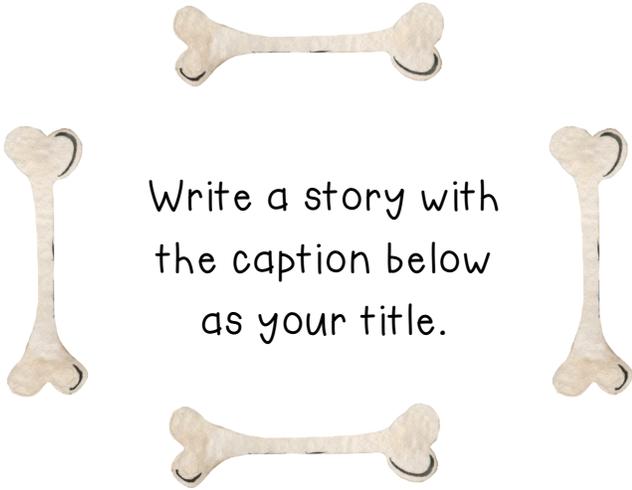
Start your story with a setting. Where are you? Describe the place.

How did you find an egg? Write about how you found it.

Describe the egg. What color is it? Does it have stripes or dots? How large is it? What do you think is inside the egg?

Your story needs a problem. Does someone try to steal the egg? Do you need help to get the egg to hatch?

Does the egg hatch? What's inside?



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THE GREAT DINOSAUR DIG



WRITING IDEAS

Start your story with a setting. Where are you? What is the weather like? Describe the place.

You are going to dig for dinosaur bones. How long does it take? Are you alone, or are there people with you? What goes wrong during the big dig?

Do you find anything? What is it? Did you find bones from a triceratops, tyrannosaurus rex, or stegosaurus? Did you find an entire skeleton? Did you find anything funny or unexpected?

Finish your story with a solution to the problem.



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FLYING HIGH WITH PTERODACTYL



WRITING IDEAS

Pterodactyl has offered to take you for a ride!

Who is Pterodactyl? What is he or she like? Is Pterodactyl afraid of anything? Does Pterodactyl have a different problem? (You need a problem in your story.)

Where will you go? Describe the sounds, sights, and smells of the places Pterodactyl takes you.

The places you visit and the other characters you meet can provide a solution to Pterodactyl's problem.

FLYING HIGH WITH PTERODACTYL

