Writing with Nouns

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

Remember: a noun names a person, place, thing or idea. Strong writers pick specific nouns: "a kitten" tells the reader more than "an animal".

Be specific: a ~~thing~~ → a sled a ~~place~~ → the library

1. Finish the story

Read the story. Circle the noun that fits each blank best.



Mia and Snowflake

1. One snowy _____, Mia looked out of the window. — morning / quickly / happy
2. She saw a tiny _____ shivering by the fence. — slowly / kitten / green
3. Mia pulled on her boots and her warm _____. — jumped / softly / coat
4. She carried the kitten back to the _____. — house / cold / ran
5. Dad poured some warm _____ into a dish. — sleepy / milk / under
6. The kitten purred with _____. — happiness / happy / happily
7. Mia named her new friend _____. — fluffy / Snowflake / snowing
8. That night, Snowflake slept on Mia's _____. — pillow / soft / dreamed

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2. Write with nouns

Write a sentence for each prompt. Underline every noun you use.

1. Write a sentence about a place you love.

2. Write a sentence about a person who helps you.

3. Write a sentence with a feeling noun (an abstract noun).

4. Write a sentence about something in your backpack.

5. Write the first sentence of a story about a lost dog.

Answer Key

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1. Finish the story

1	One snowy **morning**, Mia looked out of the window.	morning	quickly	happy
2	She saw a tiny **kitten** shivering by the fence.	slowly	kitten	green
3	Mia pulled on her boots and her warm **coat**.	jumped	softly	coat
4	She carried the kitten back to the **house**.	house	cold	ran
5	Dad poured some warm **milk** into a dish.	sleepy	milk	under
6	The kitten purred with **happiness**.	happiness	happy	happily
7	Mia named her new friend **Snowflake**.	fluffy	Snowflake	snowing
8	That night, Snowflake slept on Mia's **pillow**.	pillow	soft	dreamed

2. Write with nouns

Answers will vary. These are examples; the nouns are listed in brackets.

1. Write a sentence about a place you love.
   My grandma's garden smells like roses. (grandma, garden, roses)
2. Write a sentence about a person who helps you.
   My coach shows me how to kick the ball. (coach, ball)
3. Write a sentence with a feeling noun (an abstract noun).
   I felt pride when I finished my first book. (pride, book)
4. Write a sentence about something in your backpack.
   My lunchbox has a sandwich and an apple. (lunchbox, sandwich, apple)
5. Write the first sentence of a story about a lost dog.
   On a rainy afternoon, a muddy puppy wandered into our school. (afternoon, puppy, school)