

Process Writing Pathway

**Good writers use the writing process to make sure that all of those things show up in everything they write.
(Lipkewich 1999)**

Planning

Before I begin writing, I must create a plan. I must remember to:

- Plan my writing by thinking about and selecting an idea as well as designing a plan.
- Use a graphic plan and organized my writing thoughts.
- Plan my writing based on the genre (narrative, response to literature, summary)

Drafting

After planning, I write my first draft. I must remember to:

- Stay on topic,
- Use transition words
- Use descriptive and sensory words
- Write a beginning, middle and end using a multiple paragraph format.
- Have an interesting introductory and closing paragraph that makes the reader want to continue to read my writing.
- Make sure that my story is properly sequenced

Revising

After drafting, I must revise my writing. I must remember to:

- Reread
- Change sentences by:
 - Adding words
 - Use more interesting vocabulary to the reader excited
- Take out sentences
- Add sentences
- Answer my reading partner's question regarding my writing
- Check to make sure the writing is sequenced
- Reread and check my writing again

Editing

After revising, I must edit my writing. I must remember to reread and use editing marks to check for:

- Punctuation at the end of sentences
- Run on sentences and incomplete sentences
- Capitalization
- Misspelled words (use dictionary, thesaurus, and handbook)
- Correct use of paragraphs
- Symbols used for dialogue

Final Draft

After editing, I must write my final draft. I must remember to:

- Rewrite my writing
- Changed the items that I have edited
- Write neatly and clearly