

1: CREATIVITY SKILLS SHEET

Similes and Metaphors

Write at least one simile or metaphor. Similes use the words LIKE or AS.

Specific Emotion Words

Words like grateful, despaired, ecstatic, downcast, and elated are all specific emotion words.

Specific Sensory Words

Words that refer to the senses like rusty, grimy, smoky, powdery, misty, and garlicky...

Dialogue

Dialogue is surrounded by quotation marks.

Onomatopoeia

Sound effect words- whoosh, bang, crackle, crackling, tick-tick-tick...

Million Dollar Words

Exquisite, tantalizing, exhilarating, and tremendous are all million dollar words. Then there are trillions other million dollar words.

Grabbers/Leads and Great Beginnings

Takeaway Endings

Thoughts to Self

What a rip-off, I thought to myself.

2: DESCRIBING PICTURES AND MEMORIES

Write a description of one picture you brought in today. If you did not bring in a picture, then write a description of a memory. Use skills in writing about your memory. Here are a few examples.

MEMORY #1-

I was at Hartley Elementary School in St. Augustine in 2004, working with a second grade teacher. In all honesty, it was an average day. Nothing occurred that was too Earth-shattering... until it was time for lunch.

Well, I was starving. Famished. I was so unbelievably hungry I could have devoured five lunches. I dodged into line and asked for a chicken thigh, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, and an iced tea. I was so insanely thirsty that I dumped five packets of sugar into the tea and placed two lemons in there. The Styrofoam tray was extremely heavy, so I had to balance it on my knee when I opened the door from the cafeteria into the hallway. The tray stayed intact as I walked, but then I collided with the standing mailbox in front of the principal's office. Suddenly, the contents of the tray spilled ALL OVER the linoleum floor inches from the door to the principal's office. Needless to say, I was mortified. I must have muttered something because a few moments later, the principal opened her door to see what had caused the ruckus outside her door. When I saw me standing there, helpless, all that escaped from my lips was "H-h-h-hi, Mrs. Seymour."

Now on the next sheet, describe two memories you have had.

