

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT CLASS

Get the Basics Right in Writing!

In your writing have you used the following?

- Capital letters to start all sentences and for 'Proper Nouns'?
- Full stops in the correct places?
- A question mark at the end of a question?
- A variety of sentence starters?
- Connectives to join sentence and to start paragraphs?
- A dictionary to help develop vocabulary and check your spellings?
- A thesaurus to help you use better vocabulary?
- A large of punctuation, e.g....?!

Does your sentence
Have **SWAG**?

Starts with a capital

Written neatly

A space between words

Given punctuation like full stops (.) question mark(?) etc.

Spelling Tips:

 LOOK

COVER 

 SAY

WRITE 

 CHECK

Other Spelling Strategies

- Break it into sounds (u-n-i-o-n)
- Break it into parts (con-tin-ent)
- **Words within words (GUM in argument)**
- re is a 'gum' in argument.
- There is a 'pie' in piece
- 'a rat' in ratseparate
- 'dance' in danceattendance
- 'A pal' in school palPrincipal
- Refer to word history (bi=two, cycle= wheels)

Sentence Starters:

Sentence Starters are essential because they engage the reader / listener. They grab their attention. Sentence starters link ideas together and create something which we can call a piece of work done by a skilled person.

Try starting some of your sentences with the following types of words. They will help you reach a higher grade in your day to day communication.

Start your sentence with an adverb ending with-ly:

Happily smiling at her reflection in the mirror, Alice imagined herself in charge of the shoe shop. Swiftly, enthusiastically, cautiously.....

Start your sentence with a connective: e.g. Although

Although he was only 12, he had written a book of a poetry.
Meanwhile, Furthermore, Moreover, Alternatively.....

Start your sentence with a Preposition: (Word that shows where something is)

Beneath the blazing sun, all students stood in rows of threes and fours. Above, Beyond, Below, Beside, Near.....

Start your sentence with a verb ending in – ing:

Trembling with excitement, Emma approached the Principal to receive her prize.
Grumbling, Adding, Running, Sauntering, Walking.....

Start your sentence with a verb ending with – ed:

Startled by the sudden movement, the little boy cried uncontrollably.
Waved, Baked

Given below are some of the best starters to start your sanction with

#1 Introducing An Idea

When introducing or opening an idea you can use these transition words. They make the reader realize that you are going to add something important after this.

To start with, Adding here Here we will discuss,

#2 To Compare Things

Use these transition words when comparing two different things. They will help you in linking the next thing to the first and tells the reader that you are trying to tell them is how both of these ideas are different from each other.

Instead In contrast In comparison Likewise

#3 To Add Emphasis

If you are trying to add emphasis on an idea then start a sentence with these words.

Above all Especially Admittedly

#4 To Show Consequences

There are many ways how you can show the consequence of the previous idea. Here are a few words that can help you with that.

As a result Accordingly Due to Because Since

#5 When Concluding

Summing up your whole idea is a very important part of writing. It needs to be as interesting as your whole article was.

To summarize To sum Concluding Finally To Sum Up!

These are some of the basic rules and things that can make your writing like never before.

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