

Third Grade Unit 1-Launching with Small Moment Narratives

In This Unit Writers Will:

Use a timeline to develop a well - structured small moment narrative that consists of a series of scenes.

Use storytelling sessions and timelines to make decisions about what they will include in their draft of their small moment narrative.

Pay close attention to capitalization, end punctuation, and dialogue punctuation.

Reread drafts to edit details and punctuation.

Pay close attention to and use correct spelling so that their writing can be read.



Home Support:

FYI: Small Moment Story- a story that zooms in on one tiny moment. For instance, a student would write about going on a ride at Disneyworld, rather than the whole trip to Disney).

Talk to your child about recent events that are considered small moments:

- A favorite part of summer vacation
- A funny or happy moment during a holiday celebration
- A small moment in the life of your family

Have your child retell those moments to you in his or her own words.

Suggest and/or encourage your child to add details when they talk about their "small moments."

*Note: In the writing workshop, most writing is done in school with the guidance of the teacher. "Ideas for Home" are not homework-just suggestions for how you can support writing at home. Please consult with your child's teacher regarding specific support your child may need at home.