

# Fifth Grade Unit 1-Launching with Personal Narratives

## In This Unit Writers Will:

Generate ideas for their writing from their own lives.

Organize their writing using graphic organizers to create a clear sequence of events.

Group their thoughts into paragraphs when they write.

Establish strong personal narratives using clear event sequences and descriptive details.

Revise and edit their work with a lens on sentence variety and comma usage.



## Ideas for Home:

FYI: Personal Narrative- a story told in first person, a true account or memory, this can be several connected smaller moments (e.g. a sleepover, a camping trip)

Talk to your child about personal events that they may want to write about:

- Family vacations
- Family pets
- Best friends
- Winning an award
- Holidays/favorite gifts

Encourage your child tell you stories about their day. Listen to see if the story is in correct sequence. Ask your child to add detail as they tell.

\*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.