



Teacher's Page & Directions

Many times I have been working with my students in writing and had wished that I had exemplars that I could show them of good examples of writing and bad examples of writing. But I never remember to save students' work from the previous year and I definitely don't want to use any current students' work as an example. That is how this resource was born.

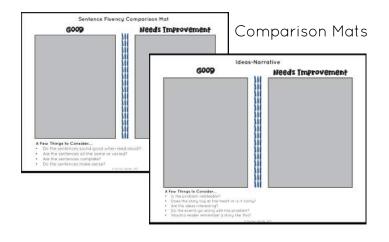
In addition to finding examples of writing that is good and writing that needs improvement in this resource, you will also find practice pages and activities to help students practice the six traits of writing (ideas, organization, word choice, voice, sentence fluency, conventions) and the writing process. Further, expository, persuasive, and narrative writing types are addressed.

Exemplars and Mats

Each trait comes with exemplars (or examples of writing) that students will need to read and evaluate that specific trait. For instance, if they are focusing on the trait of ideas, they will read the writing piece and evaluate how well the author did on expressing the ideas of the piece only. The student then determines if the piece is "good" or if it "needs improvement." The comparison mats are a great way for this to be interactive, and provides students with questions to consider when evaluating the piece. Consider having students justify their reasoning as to why they placed a piece into the category theu did. A blank mat is also provided that can be used for all traits, if desired. Answer keys are provided.

After students have read the piece and learned about the trait, they then return to the "needs improvement pieces" and rewrites them so they are now "good" pieces.

> The title in the top left corner tells you the trait you're focusing on and the type of writing.



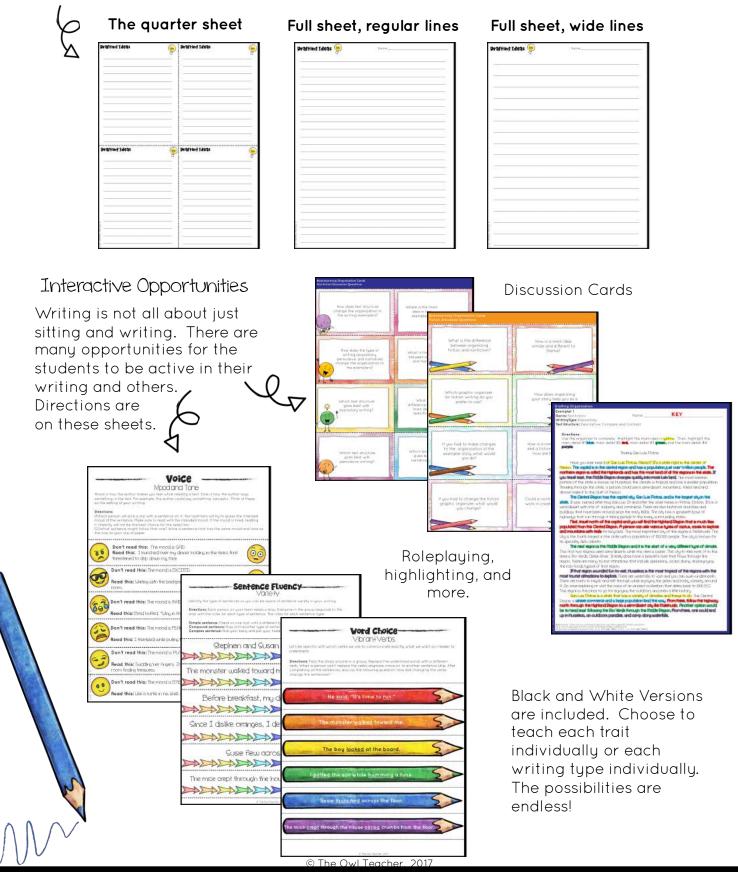
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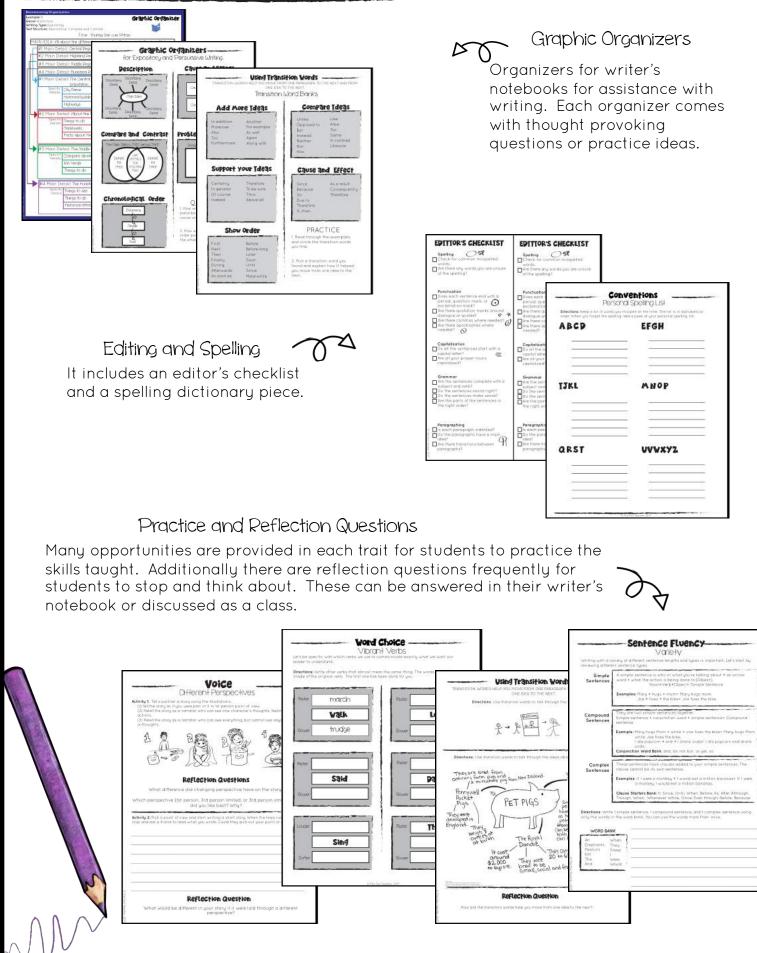
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Differentiated Drafting

After students evaluate the writing pieces, they then have opportunities to try out the trait themselves by rewriting the "needs improvement." There are three different drafting sheets for you to choose from. There are also blank materials for writing their own.



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