



EQAO Grade 6 Writing Practice — Answer Key

Ontario Junior Division — Opinion Writing, Narrative & Editing

Opinion / Persuasive Writing

State your opinion clearly, support it with reasons and evidence, and use a strong conclusion.

1. Some people believe students should have longer recess breaks. Do you agree or disagree? Write 2-3 paragraphs explaining your position. Include at least 3 reasons to support your opinion.

Answer: Answers will vary. Look for: clear thesis/opinion, at least 3 supporting reasons, logical organization, transition words, and a concluding statement.

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Narrative Writing

Write a story with a clear beginning, middle, and end.

2. Write a short story (2-3 paragraphs) about a student who discovers something unexpected in the school library. Include descriptive details, dialogue, and a problem that gets resolved.

Answer: Answers will vary. Look for: engaging opening, descriptive language, at least one line of dialogue, a clear problem/conflict, resolution, and proper paragraphing.

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Editing & Grammar

Find and correct all errors.

3. Rewrite this passage with correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation: "Their going to the museum tomorrow, but they dont know weather it will be open. Me and him wants to see the dinosaur exhibit its suppose to be really good."

Answer: They're going to the museum tomorrow, but they don't know whether it will be open. He and I want to see the dinosaur exhibit. It's supposed to be really good.

4. Combine these three short sentences into one well-written sentence: "The cat sat on the mat. The mat was red. The cat was sleeping."

Answer: Answers will vary. Example: "The cat was sleeping on the red mat." or "On the red mat, the sleeping cat rested quietly."

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