

Here are some writing ideas we'd like to encourage you to do with your child during the summer. Try an idea a day or one a week. Add your own ideas to the list and write, write, write! Have a great summer!

Write a description of something you ate this week without mentioning the actual food. After writing it, give the
description to someone to guess the food.
Write descriptive clues for a treasure hunt game with your friends. Be sure they are in logical order.
Conduct an interview and publish it.
Write a family tree.
Write a movie review.
Write a book review.
Add pizzazz to a parent's shopping list. (Use descriptive adjectives before each item, ie. perfectly precious plums)
Send a note to a special person (teacher, principal, grandmother, grandfather, aunt, uncle, cousin, etc.)
Draw a picture by describing it in written language.
Make a Vacation Photo Essay Scrapbook.
1. Take pictures from vacation.
2. Write a sentence under each picture describing the picture.
3. Make a scrapbook with the pictures and essays.
Take pictures of a special event over the summer, such as a baseball game or party. Sequence the pictures using ordinal $\#$'s. Then write a short story with a good beginning, middle, and end.
Write a "How-to" for something you enjoyed over your summer.
Write a friendly letter to a family member who lives out of state. Ask for maps, tourism guides, etc. to learn about
the state/country.
Write to a friend each week.
Write yourself a letter outlining goals that you would like to set for yourself in the coming school year. Ask someone (parent, teacher) to give you the letter at the end of the year.
Write a persuasive letter to your mom or dad, persuading him/her to give you something you really want.
Create a brochure about a special place you visited over the summer urging people to visit to that place.
Think of a place that you visited or a special event that happened to you. Write about the event and illustrate your
writing.
Keep a daily summer journal of all the places, friends, or relatives you visited.
Keep a writer's notebook/journal over the summer.
Write 10 questions you want to ask your teacher on the first day of school.
Observe nature around you. Write about what you see, hear and feel. Use descriptive words.
Write an acrostic poem about summer.
Catch an insect in a clear jar. Observe the insect. Write down what you notice. Describe the insect.
Create a new idea for this list.
1. Add it to the list.
2. Attach your sample.
3. Give it to your teacher in the fall.
5. Orve it to your reacher in the fall.