

# Grades 5 - 6

## Sample Writing Prompts 2005-2006

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### Genre: **Formal Letter**

#### Prompt 1

Write a formal letter to the Principal explaining what new playground equipment should be on the school playground.

#### Prompt 2

Write a formal letter to the President suggesting how to make the world a better place for children.

#### Prompt 3

Write a formal letter to the President and discuss the problems you see with the environment, and give possible solutions to the problems.

### Genre: **Story**

#### Prompt 1

Someone discovers a new creature that is a combination of two animals. Write a story about this creature and what happens.

#### Prompt 2

Write a story about what happens when someone is asked to babysit a wild animal.

#### Prompt 3

Someone is granted three wishes. Write a story about these wishes and what happens.

#### Prompt 4

You wake up one morning with a key in your hand. Write a story about what happens.

### Genre: **Expository Essay**

#### Prompt 1

Write an expository essay explaining how to play your favorite game or activity.

#### Prompt 2

Write an expository essay on your favorite hobby or game describing several reasons why you enjoy it.