

READY WRITING



Grades 5-6
Practice Packet 3



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for UIL and PSIA contests

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This book mimics the Ready Writing Contest style and format of the **Texas Interscholastic League (UIL)** and **Private Schools Interscholastic Association (PSIA)**. Use these unique and thought-provoking prompts for general contest tips or to help identify your child's strengths and weaknesses in writing.

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For official UIL Constitution and Contest Rules for A+ Ready Writing, please review Section 940 on the document under "Contest Rules" at: www.uiltexas.org/aplus/events/aplus-ready-writing

PROMPT 1 - Ready Writing Grades 5-6

INSTRUCTIONS

Choose **one** of the following topics. Write the topic you have chosen at the top of your paper. Remember, you should not use your real name or that of your school in the composition.

Topic: Currency	Throughout history, a wide array of items have been used as a form of currency or money. This includes everything from cowry shells to precious metals to potato mashers. Pick one object to establish as your own currency. Write an essay describing your item, what it looks like, and why you value it. Be as creative as you like.
Topic: Your Earliest Memory	Write a paper describing your earliest memory. Include details that that could help pull the reader into the story, and try to incorporate elements of as
	many of the five senses — sight, sound, smell, taste, and touch — as you can.

PROMPT 2 - Ready Writing Grades 5-6

INSTRUCTIONS

Choose **one** of the following topics. Write the topic you have chosen at the top of your paper. Remember, you should not use your real name or that of your school in the composition.

Topic: Team Player	Learning to work with a team or group is an important life skill. Write a story about a time that you worked with others to achieve a common goal. Be sure to describe what happened, who was involved, and what you learned from this experience.
Topic: Making Mistakes	Theoretical physicist Albert Einstein reportedly said, "A person who never made mistakes never tried anything new." Write an essay explaining the best mistake you have ever made. What happened, and what did you learn from this experience? Did it have a significant impact on your life?