Doreen Cronin as Our Mentor

Doreen Cronin uses the following ingredients in her Diary of a Spider/Worm/Fly Books

BEGINNING:
An idea to use: Diary of a Spider and Diary of a Worm start by telling three things about the animal: two facts and then something funny.

ENDINGS:
• Three things I don’t like about being a ____ and three things I like about being a ____.
• Three things I scare and three things that scare me.

POSSIBLE ENTRIES
• In school, learning how to do something
  o Spider learned how to catch the wind.
  o Worm made macaroni necklaces.
• Something funny/strange happening in school
  o Spider brought his skin in for show and tell.
  o Worm forgot lunch, ate his homework, and got in trouble.
• Facing a danger
  o Spider with vacuum
  o Worms dug deeper during fishing season.
• Teaching a different animal/insect how to do something
  o Worm taught Spider how to dig.
  o Spider taught Worm how to walk upside down.
• A fun time
  o Spider and sister at the park
  o Worm at school dance
• Family happenings
  o Worm was mean to his sister, mom not happy
  o Spider’s grandpa blew away to France.
• Getting together with friends
  o Fly went to Spider’s house and got stuck in a web.
  o Spider slept over at Worm’s house and hoped they didn’t serve rotten leaves again.
  o Worm and Spider got into a fight because spider said you need legs to be cool.

OTHER ENTRY IDEAS
• Today was my birthday, so ____ decided I was old enough to know the secret to a long, happy life: ______.
• Having a nightmare or going through a change (Spider molts skin)
• Learning a lesson (Grandpa teaches Worm good manners)