

Effective Writers...

- Write for a specific audience
- Have a title that goes with the writing
- Have an interesting beginning
- Have an ending that sums up the writing
- Reread often
- May use conversation or dialogue
- Clearly explain what they are writing
- Write in an order that makes sense
- Create a picture in the reader's mind (using vivid verbs, adjectives, and adverbs)
- May use humor
- Sometimes have trouble writing
- Get help from other writers and listen to their ideas (parents, students, teachers)
- Help the writing make more sense, sound better, and look better by:
 - Crossing out words if they are boring, don't sound right, or repeat words
 - Adding information to make it more interesting or more clear
 - Using different, more interesting words
 - Taking out extra information
 - Moving words around
- Edit work after all revision changes have been made:
 - Checks spelling
 - Checks punctuation
 - Checks grammar
 - Checks capitalization