

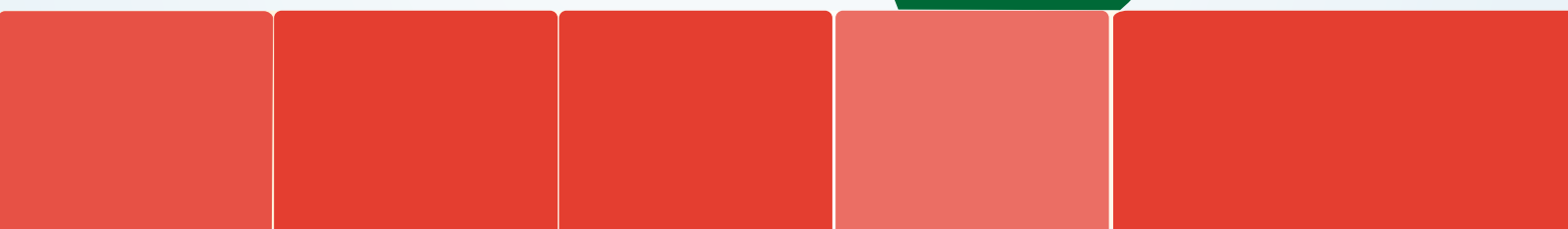


A Train of Thoughts

We are looking forward to receiving all of your wonderful examples of writing. Below are all the different categories under which you can submit your work.

However, there are a few conditions when submitting. Please make sure you read the below carefully.

- ♦ *All submissions must be typed in Times New Roman size 12 and double spaced*
- ♦ *Students must include full name, student number, name of school, and grade as a footer on every page.*
- ♦ *Students must indicate which prompt they have selected*
- ♦ *All entries must have a title.*
- ♦ *Some categories are exclusively applicable to only certain grades. Please check before starting.*





Writing Categories

Exclusively grades 3 and 4

Prompt 1 *“Life Lessons”*

Write a fable telling a story which carries an important moral message for other young readers.

1. Make sure you include different kind of characters including animals.
2. Make sure there is lots of vivid imagery and similes and metaphors.
3. Word limit of 250 words.

Prompt 2 *“Time to Celebrate”*

1. Write a paragraph about your favorite holiday or celebration.
2. Make sure you add two reasons about why this holiday or celebration is your favorite.
3. Make sure you give examples to support your reasons.

Exclusively grade 12

Prompt 1: *“A Word to the Wise”*

1. Write a letter to your younger self. Your letter must reflect life lessons that you have learned, difficulties you have experienced, or ways you have changed. The letter must also include thoughtful advice and insight you have gained now that you are ‘wiser’.
2. Letter must be written in first-person and addressed to yourself.
3. Your letter can be informal but must not include slang or profanity.
4. The letter must be 200-450 words in length.

Exclusively Alumni

Prompt 7: *“Shaped by SABIS®”*

Write an essay on how SABIS® education and time spent at school shaped you.

1. How did SABIS® and your experiences prepare you for life after SABIS®.
2. If you could do it all again how would you do it?
3. What are you dreams and aspirations going forward.
4. Your essay must be 200-450 words in length.



Writing Categories

Open to all from grades 5 – 12

Prompt 1: “A Tale of Tales”

Write an imaginative, descriptive, or narrative essay that tells of a mysterious or strange occurrence.

1. Story can be written in first or third person.
2. Your ‘tale’ can include imaginary or realistic elements.
3. Your story should showcase your creative writing skills and ability to ‘show not tell’.
4. The story must be 250-450 words in length.

Prompt 2: “It’s Time to Have a Discourse”

Write an argumentative, or discursive essay to address one of the following topics OR a topic of your own.

1. The Rise of AI: argue or discuss advantages/disadvantages of artificial intelligence OR future of AI, dangers, etc.
2. A Matter of Ethics: argue or discuss significance of ethics in world today OR what you feel is most significant ethical issue, etc.
3. Money Matters: argue or discuss reasons for current economic crisis OR solutions OR consequences, etc.
4. Mirror, Mirror: argue or discuss society’s focus on beauty and perfection.
 1. The essay can be in argumentative or discursive format.
 2. The essay must be 250-450 words in length.



Writing Categories

Prompt 3: *“Poetic Justice”*

Write a poem on any topic or to convey any emotion of your choosing

1. The poem can be in any form: sonnet, free verse, limerick, etc.
2. Your poem should not be longer than 350 words but you can organise your lines/stanzas in any way you choose.

Prompt 4: *“The G.O.A.T”*

Write an essay about someone you consider ‘the Greatest of All Time’. This person must be someone whom you greatly admire and look up to.

1. The essay can be written as an informative essay or biography. Focus on the achievements and/or qualities that make this person the G.O.A.T in your opinion.
2. You can choose someone you know or someone you see as a role model. Make sure to clearly convey why you admire, respect, look up to, etc. the individual.
3. Your essay must be 200-450 words in length.

Prompt 5: *“If I Ruled the World...”*

Write an essay about what would you change and what would you implement if you ruled the world.

1. If you were able to ‘rule’ the world, what kind of world would it be?
2. Describe what changes you would enact or global issues you would solve.
3. Your essay can be informative or persuasive and must be between 200-450 words in length.

Prompt 6 : *“My Precious”*

Write an essay about what is precious and important to you and why it holds so much value.

1. Write an essay detailing an object, person, place, or idea that is ‘precious’ to you.
2. Make sure that your essay conveys the importance or great value of the object, person, place, or idea.
3. The essay can be informative, persuasive, or descriptive and be 200-450 words in length.

To Submit, send your work to
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