

Diagnostic Writing Assignment

Grades 3 4 5

Student Name _____ Date _____

Prompt:

Describe a memorable experience from school this year (a field trip, a surprising science experiment, a new friendship, etc.) What made this experience memorable and how did it impact you as a person?

Instructions:

You will have 45 minutes to construct a thorough and well-written response to this prompt. You may use the space below to plan your writing. When you are ready, begin to write or type your essay according to your teacher's instructions.

To be sure your writing is the best that it can be, keep the following criteria in mind:

- **Details** (the rich and interesting ideas in your writing)
- **Organization** (the way we order our writing and make it easy to follow)
- **Style** (the way you put your own personality and feelings into your writing)
- **Conventions/Mechanics** (the rules of writing—such as sentences, capitals, punctuation, and spelling)