



Step 2: Sizzling Starts

Action Activity

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5 Styles in 5 Minutes

Having run the 'Discovering Different Styles' Action Activity, your students are now ready to put what they've learned into practise.

Using the 5 styles found below, give students 1-2 minute(s) per start to write a Sizzling Start using that style.

When they've finished one Sizzling Start, use the same topic for each other style to show the myriad of ways students can approach a single topic.

As a result, each student will have five minutes to write five Sizzling Starts (one minute each) on one topic.

Writing Prompts

Narrative

F-2: A typical school day

3-6: My secret talent

7-12: A misunderstanding

Informative

F-2: How to build a sand castle

3-6: How to win a fight with mum/dad

7-12: Rules of texting

Persuasive

F-2: Blue is the best colour

3-6: School days should start later

7-12: Aliens do exist

Styles

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| 1. Begin with action | 3 Dialogue | 5. The 'Moment of Change' |
| 2. Make the reader curious | 4 Humour | |

'What a fantastic professional development day. Practical steps that can be implemented in all stages, in all classrooms. Thank you' - Wendy Pike, Assistant Principal

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