



## Step 2: Sizzling Starts

# Action Activity

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## 5 Minute Fast Starts

Give students 1 minute to write a Sizzling Start to any of the topics found below. As soon as the minute is up, read out the next topic and start the next minute. After 5 minutes, each student should have 5 different Sizzling Starts.

Get them to share their favourite in groups of 3-5. This will help them generate more ideas, develop concepts and learn from each others' styles.

### Writing Prompts

#### Narrative

1. A day at the beach
2. A dance
3. Lunchtime fun
4. Learning to ride a bike
5. Playing with a pet
6. Almost getting caught
7. It's not fair
8. My Grandparents...
9. A holiday that...
10. A fight with my parents
11. My annoying habit I want to change
12. A time I got in trouble
13. The thing I fear most
14. I learn best when
15. A haunting dream

#### Informative

1. An interesting animal
2. Lunchtime game rules
3. Something blue
4. How to walk
5. Where to find fruit
6. How your phone works
7. How to dance
8. A theme park
9. Importance of washing your hands
10. UFO's
11. The best Government
12. Cause and effects of air pollution
13. How your belongings are organised in your room
14. Electric cars
15. Why we work

#### Persuasive

1. What makes a good friend?
2. What makes a better pet - cats or dogs?
3. Everyone should learn to...
4. Why my mum and dad are the greatest
5. Lunchtime is too short
6. Weekends should be longer
7. Why I should get more pocket money
8. Should parents always tell the truth to their children
9. Mornings are better than evenings
10. If only I had (listened/done)...
11. The biggest problem in education/our school is...
12. An extra right kids should have
13. Our government needs to...
14. Are rules always right?
15. I am now old enough to...

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