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# March: Special Events

As you can see, the month of March was packed with a variety of special events. Students demonstrated their scientific knowledge and understanding during the recent Science Fair; celebrated Mother's Day with a medley of songs and poems; engaged in healthy living activities; created and presented projects and models for the Islamic Fair; and exercised both their minds and bodies at Sports Day. Congratulations to all the participants, winners and organizers.

# EDITOR'S Note

#### **WRITING MATTERS**

#### Using Mentor Texts

One way of showing students how to improve their writing is to use a mentor text. A mentor text is a published piece of writing that students use as a model to help them write the same form or format. Students first read the text to look at the author's sentence structure, syntax and vocabulary choices. In older grades, students also determine the author's style and how (s)he creates tone and mood. Once the text has been studied or deconstructed, students then set out to emulate, or copy, the author's choices to help them write their own piece.



There has been significant research conducted in the merits of using mentor texts. The results indicate that students are more successful in their first attempts at writing a new form or format when they can see and/or copy from an expert.

At CBS we are using mentor texts to assist our students as they explore a wide range of genres and formats. The process begins with shared and guided reading before moving to modelled and independent writing. Learning how to write is every bit as important as knowing what to write.

Some examples of how we have used mentor texts in our classrooms are outlined below. In Senior Kindergarten and Grade 1, students used simple fairy tales to help them write their own stories. In Grade 3, students identified and followed patterns to create their own patterned poems while students in Grade 10 studied magazine and their covers before designing their own.

Studying and emulating a published author provides the support needed for second language writers as they work to improve both the what and the how of their writing. To that end, we hope that you enjoy the writing samples in this month's edition of the Express. Happy reading!

Interviewer: Would
you say you are
independent? Me:
\*looks at mum\*,
\*mum nods\* Me:
I'd say so, yes.

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IS FOR THE VERY FEW;
IT IS A PRIVILEGE
OF THE STRONG

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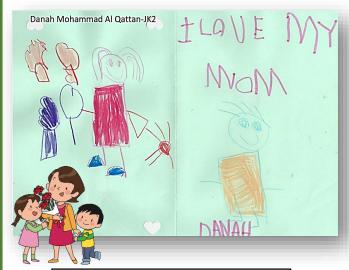


### Calling All Student Writers

Students from SK to Grade 12 had the opportunity to sit in 'the author's chair' as we celebrated Young Author's Day. Students were placed in mixed groupings and assigned to a teacher. They moved to designated locations around the school to listen to and share their writing. In many cases, students self-selected the piece they wished to read which included short stories, poems, reports, speeches and book reviews. Each session was capped off with a piece of writing shared by the teacher. Congratulations to all of our student writers and teachers for their efforts in making Young Author's Day a resounding success.

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# JK Writing



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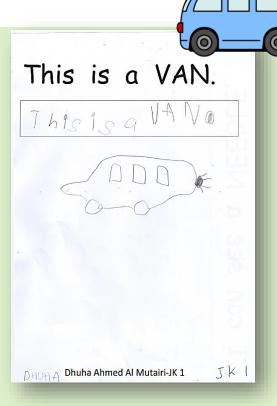
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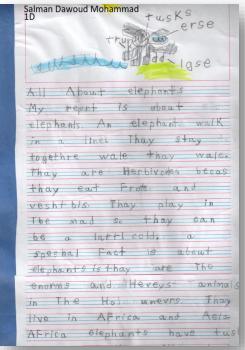




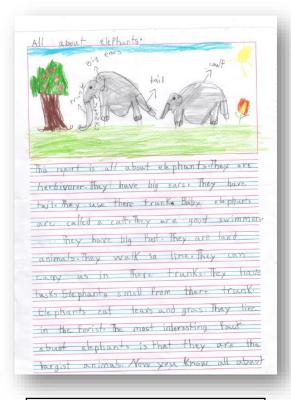
Dhuha Al Mutairi- JKI



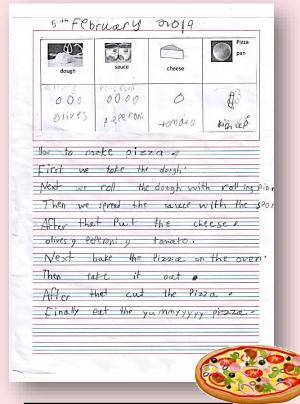
# Grade 1 writing



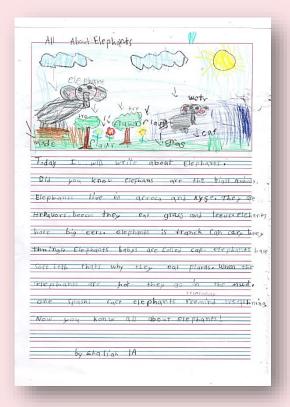
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Deam Muhana - Gr IB



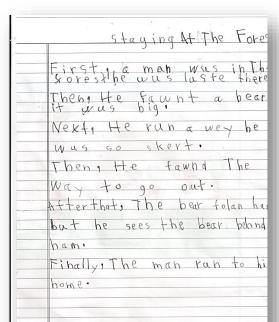
Nawal Ali - Gr IB



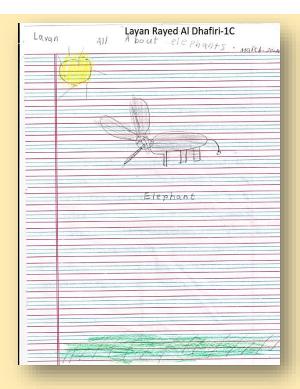
Ghaliah Jabir - Gr IA

## Grade 1 Writing





#### Sadan Nayfah - Gr IC

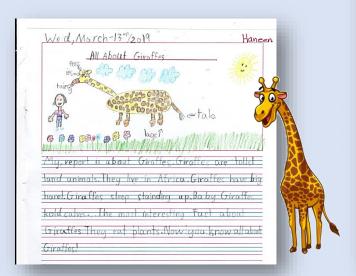


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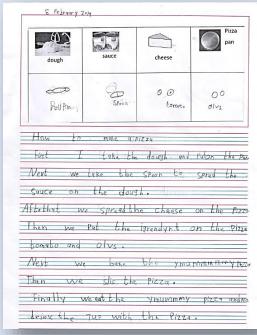
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# Gr 1

## Writing



Haneen Al Enezi - Gr IE



Loulwah Ayman - Gr IB

## Grade 3 Writing

An ant made an ant hill.

In the grocery store we take a bill.

I don't like red ants.

A clown puts on pants.

A web is a spider's home.

When you wash your hands or take a bath there is foam.

A spider's web has silk.

The camel gives great milk.

I like honey.

I like clowns when they are funny.

A bee made a beehive and honey.

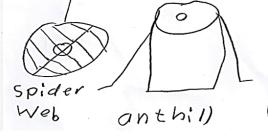
We buy items with money.

A bird made a nest,

To lay her eggs and rest.

Birds find sticks to make a nest.

Omar and Hussain are the best.







### Grade 5 Writing



- Support
- One team
- **G**aptain
- Career for me!
- very afternoon training
- Respect.

Hussain Nayef- Gr 5B



- Poetry is written in a weird way
- Only telling feelings
- pic writing
- Iry hard to finish this poem
- Rhyming can be important
- You are reading my poem

Abdulwahab Adnan- Gr 5B

ACROSTIC POEMS



- Frog
- **Piver** is his home
- On wet grass
- **G**reen colored

Abdullah Ahmad - Gr 5B



My life
One in my heart
Too much love
Happy smile
Exciting in every way
Revealing her love

Reem Ali- Gr 4A

### Grade 7 writing

#### Interview

Grade 7B

Interviewer: Reem

Interviewed: Haya



Haya was born on May 4, 2016 in Kuwait. She describes herself as friendly, outgoing, really quiet person and if you get to know her she tends to open up and sometimes acts crazy. Haya has seven people in her family. One of her favorite memories growing up was the day she was allowed to get a pet, and she got a cat. Haya likes to play PlayStation and see her friends. Haya wants to be a doctor because she wants to help people. Haya loves animals a lot and she feeds animals on the street whenever she can because they do not have houses and owners that can look after them.

#### **Interesting facts**

Haya has long brown hair and brown eyes. She loves to dance even though she doesn't really know how. Haya told me she is sometimes lazy and energetic when she sees her friends. She is not a patient person and is obsessed with cats and kittens.

#### Early life and school

When Haya was little she never used to be around a lot of girls as she grew up with boys and her brothers. Haya. Haya likes school but is really shy and nervous. She likes to annoy me and finds school work really exciting in certain subjects.

Haya wants to be a famous dermatologist when she goes to study and she would like to make a lot of money and help people in need and she would like to make people feel beautiful through her work.



#### Bader Fahad's Interview with his friend Ahmed Mohammed

#### When and where were you born?

I was born on June the 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006 in Kuwait but I am Egyptian.

#### How would you describe yourself?

I think I am funny, smart and friendly.

#### How many people in your family?

We are 5 people including me.

#### What is your best memory of growing up?

I loved getting better at Math and also playing videogames.

#### What are some things you like to do at home?

I like to play videogames, cook and study.

#### What are your favorite things to do at school?

I like to have fun with my friends and practice Math problems.

#### What do you want to be when you grow up?

I have always wanted to be an engineer because I have always liked Math and both my siblings are engineers.

#### What are your important accomplishments?

Breaking several Math world records when I was young.

#### **Future goals?**

I want to become a famous Youtube star that entertains daily. I also want to be a engineer and have my own Youtube clan.



## My autobiography

Getting through a day can be hard without motivation. I find that I can face each day of my high school life easier whenever I think about my plans and big dreams. It is one of the reasons I believe I feel like I live for my dreams. I am young and ambitious but I believe that even a teenager should reflect on his high school life. If more youth set their goals and review their routines as high school students, they would be able to achieve more success. This paper will reflect on my own life as a high school student to serve as a reminder that I am living for my dreams and that I can gain success. It will also serve as an inspiration to my peers who aim for success.

Being a happy high school student would not be possible without my family. I am a child of two supportive parents. My father is an engineer who is a representative at a local technology company and my mother is an Arts teacher. They work hard to support our family and do their best to spend time bonding whenever they can. My family values loyalty and responsibility. This is the reason I always try to be honest with my family and tell them my high school activities. It is also why I believe that if more high school students are honest with their parents, they would struggle less with their academic and extra-curricular goals. Living with a supportive family encourages me to dream and aim for good grades and a good career.

Every day when I go to school I attend all my classes to learn more. I believe that in each lesson there are insights I can gain. I always strive to gain an understanding of our lessons with the resources I have. I take notes to jot down my misunderstandings so that I can find it in the library or online. I can say that I am a responsible high school student who takes my studies seriously because I want to achieve my dreams.

As a high school student, I also enjoy time with my friends. In between classes and sometimes after school, I go out with the gang. We eat food, watch movies, talk a lot, and listen to music. We participate in school events together and a few are with me in club activities. Sometimes I struggle balancing time for family, studies, and friends. There are a ton of times I chose to have a sleepover or check out a new club with the gang over more important activities. I will work on my time management more so that I can accomplish goals that should be prioritized. I realize now that to grasp my dreams I should have friends but I should also manage my time with them well.

To be a successful high school student is not hard but finding motivation can be hard at times. Being motivated helps the youth believe that dreams are possible. All that needs to be done is to value one's family, studies, and friends. With a positive outlook on the people and environment of a youth's life, he can overcome struggles like difficult teachers or lack of time management. He can live for his dream and succeed. These are the beliefs that are shaping my life as a high school student now. I will always use this paper to help me review what motivates me to live for my dream. I can only hope that it will inspire my friends.

Anonymous



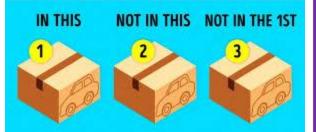


# PUZZLE TIME!

### **COLOUR AND GIFT IT TO MOM!**



#### WHICH BOX IS THE CAR IN?



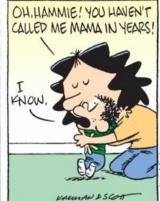
Mother's Day Facts

### tradition

In the former Yugoslavia, children would tie up their mother on Mother's Day. In order to be freed she had to pay them with treats.











# Sports Day



### UPCOMING EVENTS AT CBS

HS Progress Reports Go Home – April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019 Parent Conference Meeting HS – April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019

Israa Wal Miraj – April 4<sup>th</sup> 2019

HS Business Day – April 11th 2019

Best Out Of Waste Competition - April 11th 2019

JK Parent Engagement Event – April 15<sup>th</sup> 2019

**Gr4 Parent Engagement Event – April 15<sup>th</sup> 2019** 

Bake Sale - April 18th 2019

Talent Show - April 18th 2019

Earth Week - April 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

Assembly JK – Gr2: Independent Work – April 24<sup>th</sup> 2019

HS Assembly : Independent Work — April 25<sup>th</sup> 2019

Spring Concert (JK, Gr 1- 5)/ ES Awards Ceremony – April 25th 2019

Assembly Gr3 – Gr5: Independent Work – April 29th 2019