3rd Grade Writing Prompts

Pick a prompt, plan, write, then reread and fix one thing.

Opinion prompts

1. Should kids get paid for doing chores? Give reasons and examples.
2. Is it better to live in the city or the country?
3. Should students wear school uniforms?
4. What is the best invention of all time?
5. Should zoos exist? Explain your view.
6. Should schools have a four-day week?
7. Is it better to have one best friend or many friends?
8. Which book should every 3rd grader read? Convince your reader.

Informative prompts

1. Explain how to take care of a pet. Group your facts.
2. Research an animal and write about where it lives, what it eats and how it survives.
3. Explain why we have day and night.
4. Describe a holiday or tradition from your family or culture.
5. Explain how to stay safe in a storm.
6. Write about a famous person you admire and what they did.
7. Explain the water cycle in your own words.
8. Teach a younger kid how to ride a bike.

Narrative prompts

1. Write about a time you had to make a hard choice.
2. Tell about a time you worked as a team.
3. Write a story about a kid who finds a mysterious map.
4. Write about a time you felt nervous and what you did.
5. Tell the story of your favorite family memory, with dialogue.
6. Write a story from the point of view of your pet.
7. Imagine you woke up as a teacher for a day. What happens?
8. Write a story that ends: ...and that's how I learned to never give up.

Name _____ Date _____

My Writing

Prompt: _____