



Opinion Writing

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Noticings

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Group members: _____

Our Noticings

We are reading _____

The author is _____

*As you are reading, record four things you notice
about the piece of writing.*

Name: _____

Fact & Opinion Quick Check

My topic is: _____

A fact is:

An
opinion is:

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about a
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Opinion Writing

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- The reason for the opinion will be shared
- Evidence will be shared to support the reason

An Opinion Needs a Good Reason

_____ is my favorite food
because _____

_____ is my favorite kind
of pet because _____

_____ is my favorite
restaurant because _____

_____ is my favorite
candy because _____

Opinion

Writing Sentence Frames

- My favorite school subject
 - My favorite holiday
- My favorite football team
 - My favorite animal
 - My favorite fruit
- My favorite dessert
 - My favorite sport
 - My favorite color
- The best snack
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- The worst vegetable

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A Reason for My Opinion

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Cats are easy pets.

The above sentence states an opinion. Give four reasons that support that opinion.

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Rainy Days are Fun

The above sentence states an opinion. Give four reasons that support that opinion.

Name: _____

Snow Days are Exciting

The above sentence states an opinion. Give four reasons that support that opinion.

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Science is Interesting

The above sentence states an opinion. Give four reasons that support that opinion.

I think our class should get a pet fish.

The best color is yellow.

P.E. is the best school subject.

My favorite season is winter.

Apples are the best fruit.

Dogs are my favorite animal.

My favorite sport is basketball.

My favorite dessert is chocolate cake.

They are easy to take care of.

It is a bright color.

It helps me get out energy.

I have fun sledding in the snow.

I like that they are crunchy and sweet.

They are soft to pet.

It is fun to dribble the ball.

It tastes good with ice cream on top.

They are inexpensive.

It makes me think of the sun.

It is good for your heart.

I like to build snowmen.

They are a healthy food to eat.

They are friendly.

I like to shoot baskets.

**I like it best when it has chocolate icing on
top.**

Opinion Sentence Starters

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- I think
- I prefer
- I know
- I believe
- In my opinion
- The best thing about
- The worst thing about
- ----- is better than
----- because
- If you liked -----,
then you will like -----
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- Everyone should

Transition Phrases

Use phrases like these...

- One reason
- Another reason
- For example
- In addition

Don't start with these words...

- and
- but

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Organizing My Thoughts

My opinion is:

I think this because:

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Reason 1:

Reason 2:

My opinion is...

Reason 3:

Reason 4:

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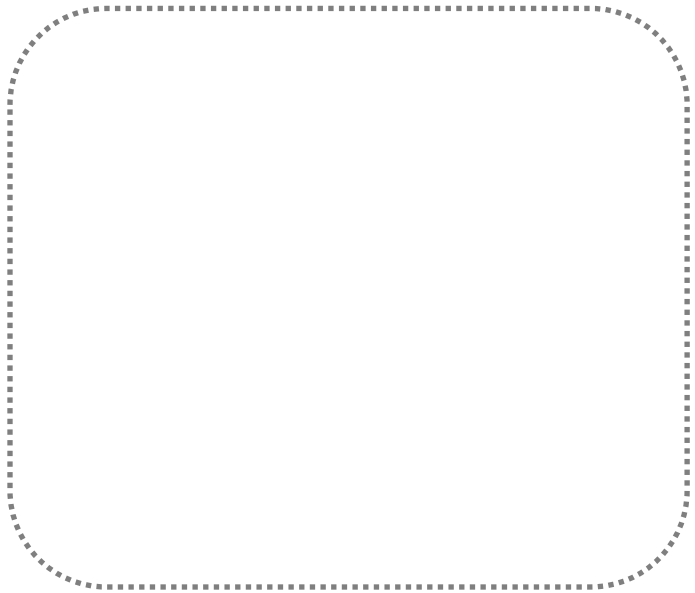
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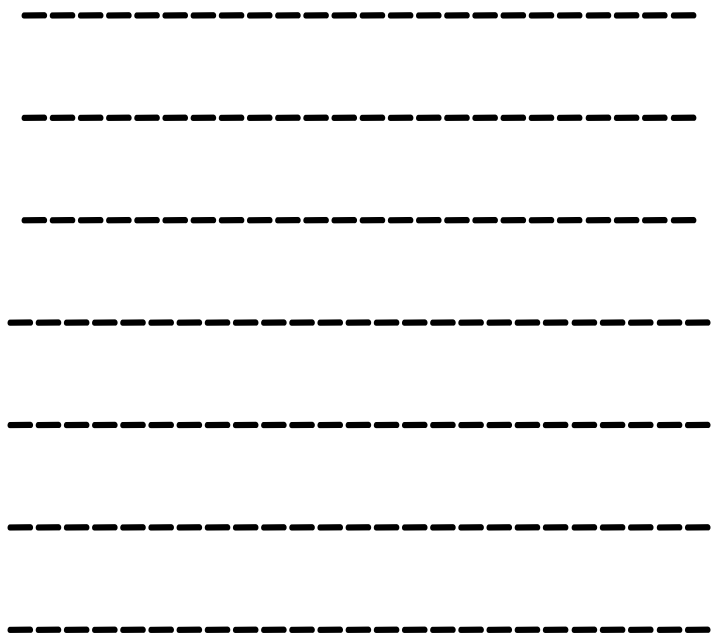


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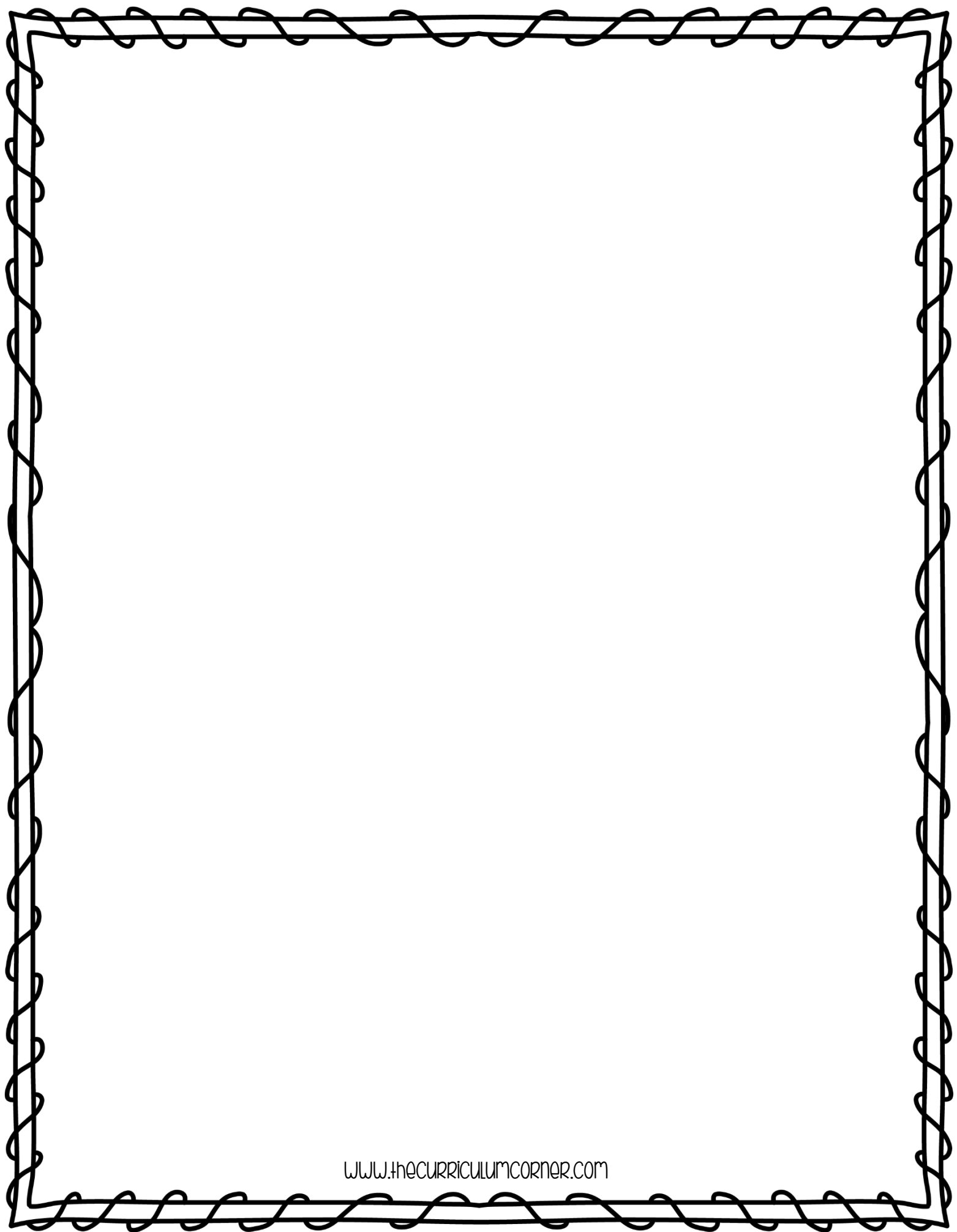
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