

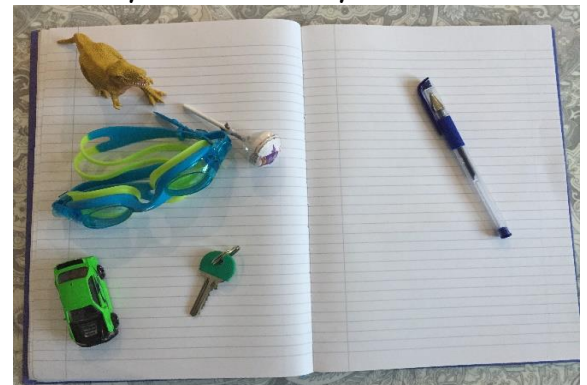
## Writing at home.

Try to encourage your child to continue writing and being creative at home. Perhaps get them to write a short story at some stage. Below are some ideas on how you could carry this out.

### Prompts

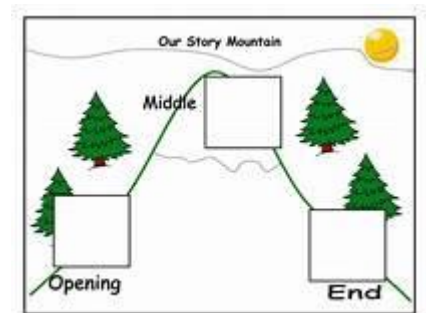
Give your child a prompt, gather pictures, old photographs, household objects, or toys, to give them some direction.

Also try to include a word bank, with words that may be useful but difficult to spell independently.



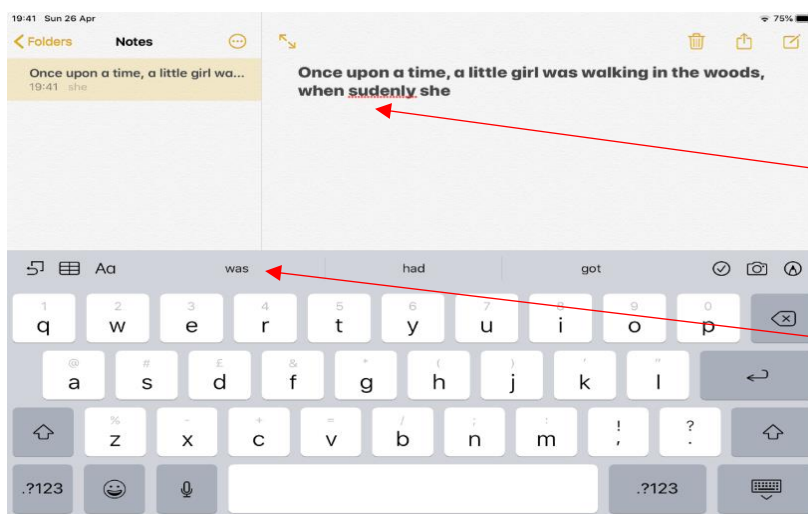
### Planning

Encourage your child to plan the story before they begin. Get them to think about a beginning, middle and end. Record this on a planning sheet if necessary, or perhaps on voice recorder on Ipad or mobile phone, so they don't forget their creative ideas.



### Beginning to Write

If helpful, allow your child to use technology to complete their piece of writing.



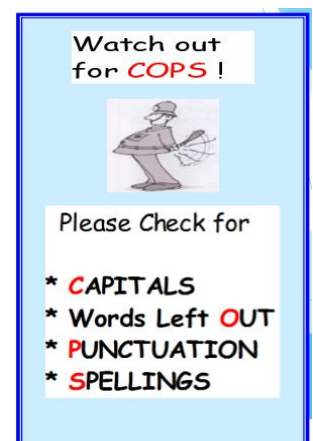
The Notes app on Ipad or Iphone can be really easy and very effective.

Underlines incorrect spelling, and offers an alternative.

Predictive text, gives options for the next word. Again, helping with spelling.

### Proof reading

Encourage your child to assess their writing throughout. The following visual is a good way to remind them to check for starting a new sentence, omissions of words, punctuation and spelling.



## Possible Writing Prompts

If I flew to the moon I would...

Once I went to the end of a rainbow...

My favourite season is...

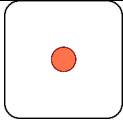
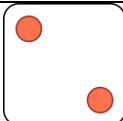
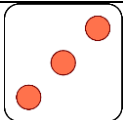
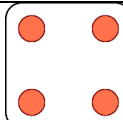
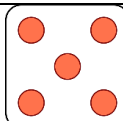
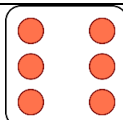
One time I took my teddy bear...

When I am 100 years old I would...

If I could go back in time I would...

One time an alien landed in the school playground...

Roll the dice 3 times to decide the character, setting and problem.

	<u>Character</u>	<u>Setting</u>	<u>Problem</u>
	A fairy	An enchanted forest	Someone is lost
	A fire breathing dragon	A magical castle	An exciting discovery is made
	A pirate	In a hidden cave	Something has been found
	A prince	A pirate ship	Someone needs rescued
	Your teacher	The moon	Being chased by a mysterious creature
	An alien	School	Someone has lost their memory.