

Setting up your topic sentence: Title! Author! Genre!

Instructions:

1. Read the prompt or scenario given below
2. Pick out the relevant information
3. Write it out in the form of “In the (genre), (Title) by (Author)...

1. Devon is reading a poem by Victor. It is called, “Ms. Gerson is Awesome.” He decides to use it as his text for analytic paragraph on poetic devices.

In the _____, _____
(Genre) (Title)

by _____ ...[You will eventually put your big idea here.]
(Author)

- How should he begin his topic sentence?

2. Prompt: Describe two struggles experienced by main characters in *Bridge to Terebithia* and how they overcome them.

- How should the topic sentence responding to this prompt begin?

In the _____, _____
(Genre) (Title)

by _____ ...[You will eventually put your big idea here.]
(Author)

3. Nadalaiz is reading a prompt on an MCAS exam. She reads an excerpt titled, "A Walk in the Woods" by Bill Bryson.
- How should Nadalaiz begin her topic sentence?

In the _____, _____

(Genre) (Title)

by _____ ...[You will eventually put your big idea here.]

(Author)

4. You are answering a prompt on the text we just finished reading as a class (hint! FSCCS!) How should you begin your topic sentence?

In the _____, _____

(Genre) (Title)

by _____ ...[You will eventually put your big idea here.]

(Author)

