

Appendix A: Routines

Sample Plan Boxes

Here are a few plan boxes created by Kiambra, a fifth-grade student, which illustrate the work she planned to do during the independent portion of writing workshop.

Plan Box (11-12-06)

I'm going to follow the prompts. I'm going to get my topics and choose at least 3 prompts. I'm also going to write however many non-narrative or narrative stories. And use my thinking to push myself.

I'm going to write about my braces and how ~~many~~ my room can look messy and clean. I am also going to write about my family.

Plan Box (11/29/06)

Today I'm working independently. I'm going to push my thinking into getting more stories. And then I'm going to write them on index cards. And tonight I'm going to interview my mom and dad.

Plan Box (12/4/06)

I'm going to write down statistics in every envelop because I feel that this strategy is much easier. I will also try to make some time to write mini-stories and lists.

Plan Box (3-5-07)

I think what's best for me is reasons. I can use other supporting claims also. I am going to infer on a lot of things from the text. And go through the text.