

News Stories: An Engaging Way to Inspire Young Writers

Children deserve many opportunities to write for a variety of authentic purposes. An easy and engaging alternative to journal writing is to write a News Story.

Children select the news story template page that most inspires their current thinking:

Good News, Bad/Sad News, Family News, Lost Tooth News, Ouch News, and Friends News. It is helpful to have News Story Folders attached to a wall or door space close to the writing table to promote writing independence. We often acknowledge news reporters and review "What makes a good news story." (See next page)

Set of six News Story templates are a part of the *Writing-to-Read Accelerates Literacy* workshop literacy manual and CD including complete sets of templates. Enjoy these samples available in two formats at www.nelliedge.com

