

10 Composition Workbook Activities for Children

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Writing an Introduction:

1. Write an introduction for the paragraph below. Do read the passage carefully..



Little Allie

Alice is just three years old, and I love her dearly. She has many things to play with. She has a ball, a rattle, and a horse; and she had a nice wax doll given to her last Christmas, but as she got the paint off its face by kissing, it is laid by till she is bigger. We played she was my baby, and I dressed her up and took her to walk; after that we played have tea, and then I rocked her to sleep, and she looked so nice I could not help kissing her. She is coming to see me next week.

2. Write an introduction for the paragraph below. Do read the passage carefully.



THE SHIP

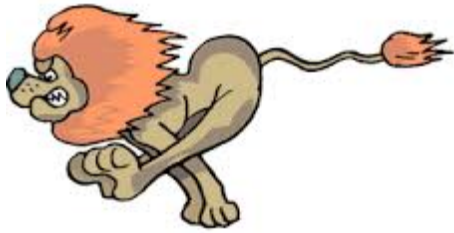
Mother packed his suitcase with nice clothes, and put in his Bible and some good books and I put in my picture. We went to see him sail. I felt bad enough, for mother says he will be gone a whole year.

3. Write an Introduction for the story below. Do read the passage carefully.

THE RIDE

----- He puts little Arthur into the bicycle, and along he rides, holding the reins, as happy as could be. After the ride was over, they went to the Public Garden and fed the ducks and fishes, and then they had a sail in the boat. Arthur hopes they can do this again.





4. **Drawing Conclusion:** Complete the story below. Do read the passage carefully.

THE LION

A Man found that a Lion was following him, as he was walking through the woods. The Lion was watching for a chance to spring upon him. The man was very much frightened, but walked swiftly along till he came to a very steep bank; here he quickly placed his hat and cloak on a bush, to make it look like a man, and then he crept away -----

5. Drawing Conclusion: Complete the story below. Do read the passage carefully.

SUSY BROWN



Susy Brown is a good girl; she is willing to give up her play, and stay at home to take care of her baby sister. Some of her friends were going to the woods and fields to pick berries, and Susy wanted to go with them; but when she came home from school, and found her mother tired and worn with her work and the heat, _____

6. Drawing Conclusion: Complete the story below. Do read the passage carefully.

THE SQUIRREL-TRAP



Henry had seen a squirrel in a cage; he had watched him whirling about and cracking his nuts, and he longed to have one of his own. He built a trap-cage, and set it near the great nut tree. He set it in the morning, and then went to school, but he could not study much for he could only think of the trap. After school it did not take him long to visit the old nut tree.

7. In the passage below, change the indirect speech to a direct speech. Do read the passage carefully.

THE SWING



Amy told her little sister that the swing was nice and that it was cool to swing in the shade.

She then told her that she love papa for fixing the swing and that they should give their dad a big kiss when he comes home.

Amy loves to swing her little sister better than to swing herself; but sometimes she swings, and holds little Julia in her lap. What nice times little children have!

8. In the passage below, change the indirect speech to a direct speech.

THE POOR BEGGAR

As he returned from school, Carley Gray told to his mother that he was so hungry. His mother enquired as to why he was hungry since he carried his dinner with him. He told her that he did not because on his way to school he saw a poor old man and his little daughter sitting by the side of the road. He continued telling her that the two looked so sad and tired that he had to stop to speak to them. He explained that they told him that they were very hungry so he gave them his dinner and went without one for himself. He also said he was glad he did it because it must be dreadful to suffer from hunger.

9. **Descriptive and Sensory Words:** Add descriptive and sensory words to the passage below. Do read the passage carefully.



THE DIRTY BOY

A _____ boy went to wash at a _____ pump. His clothes are all _____ and _____. He washes his face clean, but he cannot do anything about his clothes. He will have to wait until he gets home

10. **Descriptive and Sensory Words:** Add descriptive and sensory words to the passage below. Do read the passage carefully.

SUMMER TIME

I love to hear the _____ birds that carol on the
_____ trees; I love the _____ murmuring stream,
and I love the _____ breeze.

I love to think of Him who made these _____
things for me; who gave me life, and health, and strength,
And eyes, that I might see.

I love the _____ Sabbath-day, so _____, calm,
and still; And O! I love to go to church, and learn my Maker's
will.

Sample Answers:

1. I have been to see my little cousin Alice.
2. My brother Ben has gone to sea in a big ship.
3. Father is teaching Little Arthur to ride a bicycle.
4. The Lion, thinking it was the man, was silly enough to spring upon the cloak, and tumbled on the rocks below.
5. Susy took the baby and said she would stay at home and let her mother rest. When the girls came home with their berries, they all gave Susy some, for everybody loves Susy.
6. and lo! There was a little squirrel in his trap; but little squirry soon got away. He ran off to the woods, happy enough to get his liberty again.
7. "Oh! is it not a nice swing!" said Amy to her little brother; "how cool it makes you to swing in the shade! I love papa for fixing this swing, don't you? We will kiss him when he comes home."
8. "Mother, I am so hungry," said Charley Gray, as he returned from school. "Why!" said his mother, "did you not eat the dinner that you carried with you?" "No, dear mother; as I was going to school, I saw, sitting by the roadside, a poor old man and a little girl; they looked so sad and tired that I stopped to speak to them; they said they were very hungry—so I gave them my dinner, and went without myself. I am glad I did it, for it must be dreadful to suffer from hunger."
9. A poor boy went wash at a roadside stand pump. His clothes are all torn and soiled,. He washes his face clean, but he cannot do anything about his clothes. He will have to wait until he gets home.
10. I love to hear the little birds that carol on the tall trees; I love the gentle murmuring stream, I love the evening breeze. I love to think of Him who made these pleasant things for me; who gave me life, and health, and strength, and eyes, that I might see. I love the holy Sabbath-day, so peaceful, calm, and still; and O! I love to go to church, and learn my Maker's will.